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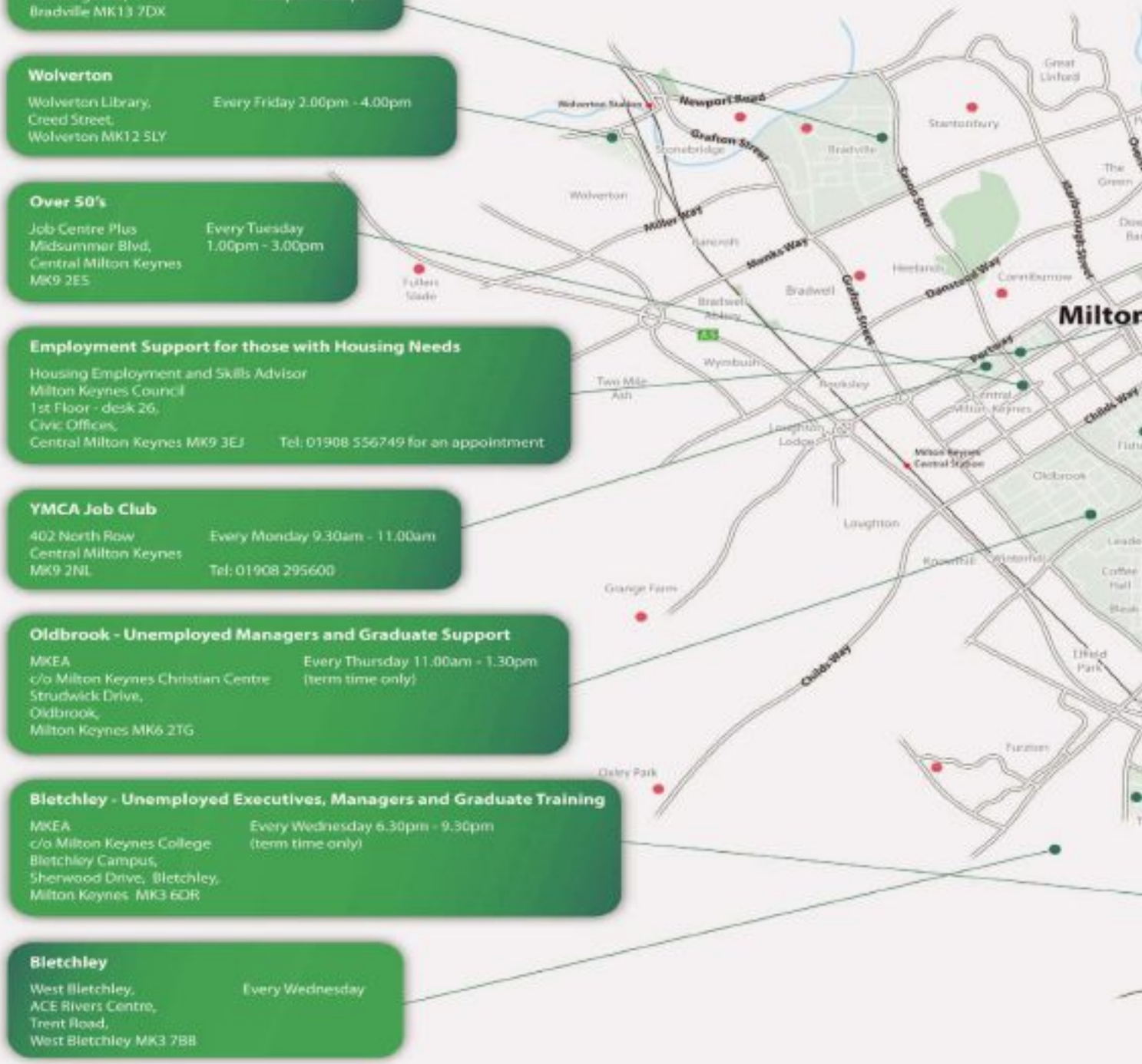

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Shocking: The fire-ravaged Shisha Jumeirah in Wellington Place, Bletchley. Inset: the building's interior

Owner hit by second blaze

BY PHILIP MCELENEY
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A BUSINESS owner is 'very shocked' after seeing his second shisha smoking bar engulfed in flames in just over two months.

Four fire engines responded to 10 emergency calls from residents at about 5.30pm after the roof of Shisha Jumeirah, in Wellington Place, Bletchley, caught alight.

Roads surrounding the site were closed for several hours while 20 firefighters tackled the blaze.

Owner Absher Hirze also ran the Jumeirah Shisha Tent on the corner of Princes Way and Albert Street in the town – which burned down on November 18 – and is said to be extremely shocked and upset by the latest fire, according to a close friend.

Abdul Hameed said: "Absher is very shocked today [Tuesday] – it's a tragedy. He didn't go to bed until the early hours of the morning and was very worried.

"He had a heart attack two weeks ago and stopped smoking after it, but last night he started again – I begged him not to. It's just such bad luck for him."

Buckinghamshire Fire and Rescue Service announced yesterday evening that the cause of the fire was accidental.

But fire investigator Ian Wilson told MK NEWS he felt Mr Hirze had not taken on board advice he was given after his first shisha bar burned down.

He said: "During our investigations we have been told by a number of witnesses around the area that it appears the shisha bar had converted one of the window boxes and covered it in metal sheets.

"They made it an area where they would set fire to charcoal cubes and had a mechanism that blew air in and stoked the coal up.

"What happened every day is clouds of smoke and embers blew out and down onto the ground where they would extinguish.

"That happened yesterday at 4.30pm as usual but because of the strong winds it blew the embers back into the frame in the window, which was rotten, so some went up into the roof where the fire started.

"When in November the Jumeirah Shisha Tent, next to the Enigma Tavern in Bletchley, burned down the owners asked us for advice and guidance on their bar in Wellington Place but it is clear they did not follow our advice.

"It was accidental but came by the shisha bar's process."

But Mr Hameed, speaking on Mr Hirze's behalf, insisted '100 per cent' that he had stuck to the advice given by the fire authorities.

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Cash floods in for poorly Skylah-Mae

BY CHRIS KNIGHT
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A JUSTGIVING page has been set up for a terminally ill toddler to help the family create some lasting memories.

Two-year-old Skylah-Mae Vaillant from Bletchley was diagnosed with retinoblastoma – a rare form of eye cancer – aged just four months and has had surgery lasting seven hours to remove a brain tumour.

But after Skylah-Mae had 11 courses of chemotherapy, parents Craig Vaillant and Gemma Bawn were given the devastating news on Monday, January 25 that their daughter is now terminally ill.

Gemma said: "Skylah was looking well, but then we noticed she was walking strangely after Christmas.

"We were told the bad news after an emergency MRI – tumours have aggressively spread in her brain and spine. We are all still in shock.

"We have all been crying and Skylah is asking why we are sad, so we're trying to be strong now and see if we can create memories with her."

Skylah-Mae is currently undergoing a five-week programme of radiation therapy at University College London Hospital, as doctors look to prolong her life and ease her pain.

The toddler's aunt and uncle set up the JustGiving page a couple of days ago with a target of £1,000, but more than £3,000 has already been raised.

Gemma said the family have been overwhelmed by the response and has revealed Skylah is already making plans.

She added: "It feels amazing that so many have contributed.

"Skylah says she wants to have a princess party and go to the zoo and Peppa Pig World.

"We would like to take her to Disneyland Paris or on a holiday with the whole family in the UK, but the tumour has spread so aggressively that we don't know if that's possible."

Skylah-Mae's JustGiving page is still active and you can visit it at https://crowdfunding.justgiving.com/teamSkylah

Terminally ill: Skylah-Mae Vaillant, two, wants to go to Peppa Pig World

Council organises training to make motorcycling safer

MILTON Keynes Council is offering more training for motorcyclists after a high number of casualties.

In the last 24 months, 38 motorcyclists have been killed or seriously injured on the city's roads.

Now, the council's road safety team is to hold four motorcycle safety training days following the success of a pilot scheme in September.

The assessment days are designed specifically to offer post-test training to make motorcyclists more confident and safer on the road and promote better riding techniques.

Councillor Matt Clifton, cabinet member with responsibility for road safety, said: "I would strongly urge anyone who rides a motorcycle to take advantage of these safety training days. The statistics show that this kind of road user has very high casualty numbers and this needs to be reduced significantly."

Rod Hardie, from the Institute of Advanced Motorists, said: "We are a group of advanced motorcyclists who enjoy motorcycling and are keen to pass our experience and knowledge gained over the years on to other people with many hints and tips in order to allow you to become a safer and more confident rider who is much more aware of the dangers and pitfalls there are out there.

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‘Jedis’ to learn lightsaber skills

Training: director Faisal Mian, *left*, shows a trainee how to use a lightsaber

BY CHRIS KNIGHT
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STAR Wars fans will soon have the chance to feel The Force with plans in place for the opening of a ‘Jedi academy’.

Silver Sabres Lightsabre Combat Academy was set up in April 2015 in London and is now looking to expand and offer evening classes for adults and children in MK.

Nick Musson, 46, head instructor and a director with Silver Sabres, has 25 years’ combat experience with a variety of medieval weapons, including longswords and rapiers.

Along with fellow director Faisal Mian, Nick developed the training methods and principles for lightsaber combat with a basis in a variety of martial arts.

He said: “Although we are using lightsabers in appreciation of the Star Wars films, this is a martial art. The techniques that we use and teach with Silver Sabres is a modern interpretation of western martial arts.

“But people will be taught how to fight like Luke Skywalker and Darth Vader – you will learn the same moves from the films.”

‘Experience’ sessions are already being held in the city for people to sample the company’s coaching, free of charge. In the two-hour lessons, groups of up 10 people are taught how to correctly hold a lightsaber, and the basics behind blocking and delivering blows.

Pupils – or padawans – are typically introduced to sparring after six weeks of training.

And after a positive reaction to their taster sessions, Nick believes Milton Keynes is the perfect place for Silver Sabres to establish a ‘Jedi academy’.

He said: “Milton Keynes is an excellent location for us, and there’s a good cross section of people here we can appeal to. It just makes sense to come here, as there is so many good things going on.”

In addition to combat, the sessions have been recommended for those looking to work on their fitness and there is an opportunity for people to progress and get involved in the company’s dramatic display team.

With an emphasis on fighting ‘beautifully’ in their training, Nick and his colleagues hold public performances to entertain – including a recent display at Lord’s cricket ground.

The next experience session for adults will be at York House in Stony Stratford on February 19 at 7.15pm.

To find out more, contact Nick on info@silver-sabres.com

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Train cancellations

TRAINS will continue to be cancelled this week between Milton Keynes Central and Euston following a landslide on Saturday on the line near Leighton Buzzard. Network Rail staff are working to fix part of the track, which is affecting all train companies by either causing delays or cancellations. Amended timetables at **onemk.co.uk**

Tortoise saved

FIREFIGHTERS rescued a tortoise called Harry from a fire in Bletchley after a suspected case of arson in the early hours of yesterday morning. The blaze started from a car fire in Penina Drive, which then spread to the porch area and storage room of a house.

OAP sold fake number plates

A PENSIONER has been handed a suspended prison sentence and made to pay £25,000 after he admitted selling illegal car number plates on the internet.

John Charles Clarke, 70, of Harkness Close, Bletchley, was one of three men sentenced at Luton Crown Court on Friday after they pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit trademark offences. The men had been selling number plates with logos on them – which are illegal to use on the road – through their business ‘number1showplates’.

The investigation – by Milton Keynes Council Trading Standards – found the defendants put a fake Irish address on their website and didn’t put their business name and postcode on the plates, as required by law. They operated from a garden in Newton Longville and had blank number plates delivered to Buckingham.

Clarke was given six months imprisonment, suspended for 12 months, ordered to carry out 100 hours of unpaid work and made the subject of a £25,000 confiscation order.

Clarke’s son, Steven John Clarke, 32, from Suffolk, was given a 12-month prison sentence, suspended for two years, ordered to do 240 hours of unpaid work, pay Milton Keynes Council £200,000 and had a £25,000 confiscation order granted against him.

David Bagnall, who now lives in Newmarket, was given a six-month sentence suspended for 12 months, ordered to carry out 100 hours of unpaid work and made the subject of a £10,000 confiscation order.

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This week's picture of Linford Wood was taken by Anke Plummer

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Council could face fight

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How is the council going to deal with these homeowners?

There can't be that much wrong with the houses as they will have been surveyed when the mortgages were taken out and I am sure that the surveyors would have commented if there was any prospect of them falling down.

At the taxpayers' expense is the council going to pull homeowners' houses down and rebuild them for them?

If the homeowners and their mortgage lenders refuse to agree are they going to seek compulsory purchase orders? These are only available if the council has a development scheme and I do not think that refurbishing houses constitutes a development scheme, so is the council going to spend taxpayers' money on lengthy legal battles because the mortgage lenders have an interest and are well equipped financially to take the council on?

A 'Pie in the Sky' scheme? Ignorant and incompetent more like – but then in my opinion, that's the council for you.

Neil Jopson
Sent via email

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I WANT, through your pages, to encourage more younger people with dementia (under 65) in Milton Keynes to join us at our All Hands on Deck group.

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If you're a younger person with dementia or a carer and would like to know more, please call me on 01908 232612.

Dee Cope
Dementia support worker for the Alzheimer's Society

Jon Brett's City Life

His column written exclusively for MK NEWS

ON ANCIENT fields, where a handful of cattle once grazed, up to 8,000 homes are soon to be built.

Work is well under way on the grandly named Stony Manor development, opposite the rather more realistically named Fullers Slade estate.

Prior to development starting on site, a team of archaeologists spent months digging with trowels recovering artefacts from a bygone, probably Roman era.

Now free from protected newts and buried treasure, the diggers have moved in to start work on what will become a small town with its own schools and even a high street.

Not wanting to miss out on what could potentially be an investment opportunity, I persuaded Mrs B to visit the recently-opened show home.

The exquisitely furnished and beautifully presented four-bedroom house drew gasps of delight with every room we entered. But then we looked out onto the garden, a tiny postage stamp lawn, and the footprints all around of what will soon be dozens of houses bearing down on your privacy.

And the view to the front wasn't much better – a roundabout on the V4 with views across Fullers Slade and Kiln Farm industry.

And how much would it cost to live in such a location? Readers, if not already seated, may wish to sit down at this point. An incredible £580,000.

What was more incredible than this, on the day of our visit, one potential owner had spent the night sleeping in his car outside the show house so he could be the first to register for the next batch of houses to be released.

A drive around the few narrow streets already open and you'll get a taste of the limited parking and a feel for the flats and houses bearing down on you.

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Free sessions: Christine Maclean demonstrates how to use Skype

Tech and tea go down well

OLDER residents wanting to learn computer and internet basics are invited to attend free tech and tea sessions in the city.

Hosted by ATTIGO, a computer and internet training company, events have already been held in Walnut Tree and Olney and sessions are available in Shenley Church End tomorrow and in Loughton on February 11.

For more information, contact Christine Maclean, ATTIGO's MD, on 0844 372 15 45, or e-mail enquiries@attigo-training.com

Football club in hunt for ground

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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WOLVERTON Town Football Club is urgently searching for a new home or possible ground share as it is being evicted from its present site in The New Park.

According to a committee statement on its website, the club had 14 days from January 29 to leave Field Lane, in Greenleys, after Wolverton Town Sports and Social Club was given notice by The Parks Trust because of various breaches of the lease.

Head of property for The Parks Trust, Ben Allott, said: "Unfortunately, our attempts to work with Wolverton Town Sports and Social Club to allow them to resolve their serious breaches have not been successful.

"Due to the club's inability to resolve the matters, which we have highlighted to them over a lengthy period, we feel compelled to bring these issues to a head.

"The Parks Trust remains open to a satisfactory resolution of the breaches of the lease covenants.

"We understand the club is now taking advice from its solicitor."

The football club has four teams and a veteran group and has been at The New Park site since 2012 after losing its former home ground, Wolverton Park, which was believed to have had the oldest football stand in the United Kingdom.

The old ground and immediate area now make up Wolverton Park housing development.

The full statement on the club's website says: "The Wolverton Town Sports and Social Club have been given 14 days' notice by The Parks Trust to vacate the premises due to various breaches of their lease on January 29, 2016, therefore we have been evicted from the premises as well.

"The committee are actively trying to source a ground share or another ground to play the rest of the season for all four teams."

MK NEWS contacted the club for a comment but did not receive a reply before going to print.

MKNEWSBRIEFS

Aggravated burglary

A 49-YEAR-OLD man was attacked and had many items stolen when three black men forced their way into his flat in Chaplin Grove, Crown Hill. The burglary happened on Thursday between 7 and 8.30pm. If you saw anything call police on 101. A description of the men is available on our website – **onemk.co.uk**

Sainsbury's in Olney

SAINSBURY'S planning application to build on the junction between Lavendon Road and Warrington Road in Olney is due to be discussed by Milton Keynes Council at 7pm tomorrow.

Mum reports flasher to police

A MUM was the victim of a flasher while pushing her 12-week-old son in a pram.

The incident happened as the mum, who wishes to remain anonymous, was walking past Sainsbury's and Al Radwa mosque in Central Milton Keynes on her way home at about 7.25pm last Wednesday.

As she approached the underpass crossing H6 Child's Way into Oldbrook, she spotted a shadow on her left.

She said: "His trousers were down and his hands were in his pockets. I have no idea how long he had been there for, but a police car drove past above with its lights flashing and I think it spooked him.

"He picked his trousers up and started walking briskly away through the underpass.

"If the police car had not gone past, I dread to think what would have happened."

The mum managed to take a couple of pictures of the flasher as he escaped down Shackleton Place, before reporting the incident to police.

The mum described the man as black in his late 20s or early 30s.

He was wearing a black leather-type jacket, black trousers and black shoes and had short curly black hair.

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I'm touched by kindness – mum

Tragic: Mia Garrett whose 13-month-old son Harrison suddenly died. She is now raising money for his funeral

BY CHRIS KNIGHT
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MORE than £1,200 has been raised in donations for a teenage mum to give her baby son the perfect funeral after his sudden death.

Harrison Garrett died at the age of just 13 months and a post-mortem examination into the cause has yet to be carried out.

Thames Valley Police are currently investigating the death, but no criminal proceedings have been launched.

Mia Garrett, 16, set up a GoFundMe page to give her son a fitting funeral and has been stunned by the reaction.

As of yesterday, £1,238 had been raised by 131 people in just 13 days.

Mia said: "I'm really touched by everyone's generosity, it has been really uplifting and is helping to keep me going.

"People have been putting in donations of £50 – I was only expecting little bits here and there. This means I will be able to give Harrison the send-off I want, and the one he deserves."

No date has yet been set for the funeral, but Mia was hoping to raise £950 to pay for a horse and carriage to be used.

She also wants to hold a balloon release the day after Harrison's funeral for anybody who would like to pay their respects to her son.

She added: "Harrison was the most beautiful boy – he was my world. He touched a lot of people's hearts in Milton Keynes as I used to post a lot of pictures of him on Facebook.

"He was just about to start walking and he had just learned to climb stairs. There was no one single word I could use to describe Harrison, he was just incredible.

"He was the most beautiful child to walk the earth in my eyes, so he deserves to have the most beautiful send-off."

Appeal after attack on cabbie

A TAXI driver was punched in the face in an assault in Central Milton Keynes on Friday.

A taxi was at the junction of the centre:mk car park and Silbury Boulevard at about noon when a small silver car stopped, a man got out and approached the cab.

He punched the taxi driver in the face before returning to his vehicle and driving off.

The attacker is described as white, 5ft 9ins, 20-25 years old with short hair and a black beard.

He was driving a small two-door silver car.

Anyone with information about the incident is asked to call the 24-hour Thames Valley Police enquiry centre on 101.

Anyone who doesn't want to speak directly to police can contact the independent charity Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Van drivers warned of rise in thefts

POLICE have warned van drivers to be alert after a steep rise in thefts from vehicles.

There were 25 thefts from vans in Milton Keynes in January, compared to just one in September, three in October, nine in November and 10 in December.

Detective Sergeant Paul Killingley, based at Milton Keynes Local CID, has urged motorists to be mindful that thieves will be on the lookout for vehicles that have not been left properly secured.

He said: "With the darker nights we normally expect to see the number of thefts from motor vehicles increase and this is exactly what has happened.

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Never forget: Residents and dignataries at the MK Rose

Groups gather at Holocaust pillar

MILTON Keynes mayor Keith McLean joined residents, faith groups and Poet Laureate Mark Neil at MK Rose last Wednesday to commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day.

Mark Lancaster, MP for MK North, also reminded others to never forget by signing the Holocaust Educational Trust's Book of Commitment.

£85k award for underpass art

BY JESSICA DUNCAN

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A PROJECT to brighten up underpasses with artwork has received a grant of £85,600 from the Heritage Lottery Fund.

As MK NEWS previously reported, On the Verge (OTV) is a local community interest company and thanks to the grant it can now go ahead with its Underpasses – Connecting People, Connecting Places project.

The initiative –which followed the launch of our

paper's 'Walk Safe' campaign in partnership with MK Council to get more people using the redways and underpasses – will engage communities in Fishermead, Oldbrook, Conniburrow and Downs Barn in creative activities to improve the three underpasses nearby.

These art sessions will be led by local artists to show off the area's history.

The year-long project will end in 2017 to coincide with MK's 50 anniversary.

Myriam Metcalf, OTV director, said: "The underpass project will revive, improve and enhance selected underpasses, a key design feature of MK creating more attractive and safer surroundings for residents and visitors."

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‘Lucky’ teenager saved from fire

BY CHRIS KNIGHT
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A TEENAGER who was rescued by firefighters when she became trapped in a flat fire feels ‘lucky’.

Lauren Plunkett, 18, of Oldbrook Boulevard, Oldbrook, fell asleep while cooking garlic dough balls just after midnight on Friday.

Smoke alarms were triggered two hours later, but Lauren remained in an unconscious state due to smoke inhalation.

Neighbours heard the alarms and called firefighters, who broke in through the front door and pulled Lauren to safety.

Lauren said: “I’m lucky – if my neighbours hadn’t heard the alarm, it could have been much worse.

“Firefighters told me that after another couple of minutes, the fire could have completely taken over the flat.

“It was the scariest moment of my life. To think that I was a few minutes away from fire spreading throughout the flat, and endangering the lives of others is scary.”

After putting the food in to cook, Lauren lay down on her bed and fell asleep almost instantly.

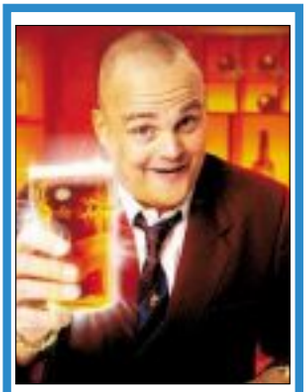
Neighbours hammered on her door and firefighters banged on the windows, but were unable to wake her.

Lauren received treatment at Milton Keynes University Hospital for smoke inhalation, and still suffers from chest pains.

Having moved back into the flat, she now wants others to learn from her experience and avoid the same mistake.

Lauren said: “It was a complete accident, but it was really stupid. I have just moved out to live on my own for the first time and I think people like myself need to be more aware of fire dangers.

“Don’t be stupid enough to lie down and fall asleep while cooking.”



Al Murray in pub

THE UK’s most famous pub landlord, Al Murray, will be visiting The Red Lion in Bletchley on Friday.

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A call for more music venues

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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RESIDENTS are calling for more alternative music venues in the city.

In an online poll on our website – **onemk.co.uk** – 95 per cent of people said they would like to see more venues for local bands.

Jim Lucas, who is a lead singer and guitar player in Project Noise, a rock, punk and reggae band from MK, said there were not enough venues. "I have been in various bands for the last seven years and I feel like it is down to lack of council support."

Currently, there are regular music nights at venues including The Craufurd Arms in Wolverton, MK11 in Kiln Farm and some at MK Gallery in Central Milton Keynes.

Recently the organisation Make A Difference stopped running The Buszy after Milton Keynes Development Partnership took control of the parking, which was the group's main income. The venue hosted many local bands and alternative music nights.

Craufurd Arms: Local gig

There were also issues which saw the temporary closure of The Enigma in Bletchley a few weeks ago, sparking a big debate on social media.

A spokesman for Milton Keynes Council said: "We are not in the habit of closing down music venues but we do have a duty to investigate any noise or other complaints."

Do you think we need more music venues?
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WHAT YOU HAVE SAID

Dean Oakley: "Milton Keynes is a shambles when it comes to music venues. I know it's a problem up and down the country but MK had very little independent venues to start off with. MK keeps bidding to become the City of Culture but music is a massive part of British culture and it's severely lacking here."

Chris Fodden: "Support your local music scene, or you won't have one."

Mandi de Burgh-Thomas: "Put more good gigs on at the Bowl. It was such an iconic venue with brilliant concerts. There are many pubs which put on gigs for local bands."

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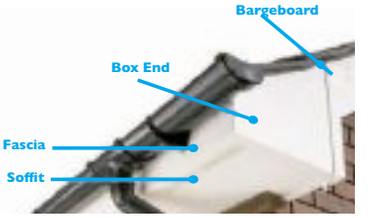

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Taking to the trees: Personal trainer Kieron Cronin has started teaching a weekly fitness class in Aspley Woods

Class branches out

BY CHRIS KNIGHT
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A PERSONAL trainer is urging fitness fanatics to leave gyms and enjoy their workouts in the outdoors.

Kieron Cronin, 35, of Walshs Manor, Stantonbury, is a personal trainer with One Zen Personal Training and has started teaching a weekly class in Aspley Woods.

Using the environment, the trainer looks to improve people's mental and physical fitness by teaching them to become 'more human'.

Kieron said: "It is a mind and body class for the 21st century.

"It is about getting people away from the confines of a gym and the hustle and bustle of the city and getting them moving their body how it is actually designed to."

Hills, marshes and trees are incorporated in a series of balance, climbing and running exercises.

Having offered the class for five weeks now, Kieron believes it offers a valid alternative to conventional gym workouts.

He added: "We use the whole environment to our whole advantage.

"Doing it this way, people move a lot more freely.

"There is no judgement or expectation that you get when you use a gym. We see beginners struggling with all of the unwritten rules.

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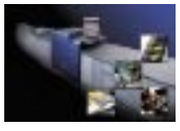

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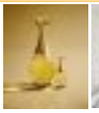

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Family fun: Energise mud runners in Milton Keynes have set themselves a tough challenge for later this year

Muddy marvels up for challenge

BY ANDY HANDLEY
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TAKE one chilly Saturday morning, a muddy field and more than 30 self-confessed slightly 'mad' athletes and you have all the ingredients for a mud runners' training session.

Formed just two years ago, Energise in Milton Keynes is, with 60 members, one of the largest mud-running clubs in the country and is on a mission to raise £5,000 for Milton Keynes University Hospital later this year.

The early-morning training sessions involve splashing through puddles, climbing two-metre high walls, clambering over haystacks and crawling under barbed wire.

You may think that this iron-man training would be the preserve of highly-tuned, muscle-rippling gym fanatics, but you'd be wrong with teenagers joining in with mums and dads.

In a farm field in Swanbourne, trainers Dave Peters and Dave Loveridge have devised a circuit that will test the strength and resolve of all who take the challenge.

They are both keen to stress that although competition can be intense, the training sessions are all about encouragement and helping each other.

Speaking about the close family atmosphere, Dave Peters said: "A lot about obstacle course racing is the support you find, even in the races themselves. It's a good family feel. We stay close together, we work together in races and outside races, supporting each other in training."

These muddy marvels have set themselves a massive task for 2016 as they plan to take on a challenge that has not been done before. Over two days in September they plan to complete a 22-mile run over Mount Snowdon, which finishes on a one kilometre vertical climb before travelling overnight to Surrey to compete in the Tough Nuts Challenge, a 28km obstacle course race – all in aid of MK hospital.

Energise director Dave Loveridge said: "It's the ultimate challenge and we will have a large team taking it on. The fact that no-one has tried to do both before just makes you realise how hard it will be. We will finish the Snowdon run and travel to Dorking to compete the next day."

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Bid to reverse plan for parking spaces

BY PHILIP MCELENEY
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A NEW car park in the centre of Milton Keynes would ruin the landscape and is not necessary, according to the founder of a campaign group.

Plans for a 68-space car park serving Norfolk and Ashton houses have been submitted to Milton Keynes Council but would see the destruction of a garden at the rear of the buildings.

Linda Inoki, the founder of Xplain – a grass-roots campaign group for better architecture in MK – and a member of Central Milton Keynes Town Council, feels the plans are detrimental to the city centre.

She said: "They want to destroy this garden which benefits everybody – including its own tenants – for the sake of 68 spaces. Once it has gone, it has gone. We aren't getting it back.

"Xplain wants to see this office building occupied but we are convinced there are more intelligent ways of doing it."

Norfolk and Ashton houses were two of the first commercial buildings in the city centre and Mrs Inoki feels the new car park goes against the original plan for the area, as well as putting workers off moving to the offices.

She said: "One of the things people love about Milton Keynes is the landscape and the amenities. The garden space is here for everybody and should remain here for everybody.

"It has to be a balancing act but it's not insolvable. It needs joined up thinking to do it.

"There are more parking spaces in CMK compared to any other comparable area."

A planning application statement said: "At least two international companies have considered space in the buildings, but have been put off by the lack of dedicated parking and the problems associated with parking in Central Milton Keynes.

"In order to attract occupiers to Central Milton Keynes (rather than out-of-town business parks, or even other centres), it is considered essential to provide dedicated parking for the buildings."

Previous plans for a car park on the same site were withdrawn.

Not needed: Linda Inoki doesn't want a garden replaced by parking

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Police check up on

Above: Police pull over a driver in Newport Pagnell
Below: Vehicles were checked over in a garage

BY CHRIS KNIGHT
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MK NEWS went out on the roads with police officers in Milton Keynes last Wednesday, stopping cab drivers and finding out how safe your taxi is.

The operation was to check all taxi licensing and that vehicles were roadworthy and safe.

A total of 26 private hire vehicles were stopped across the city and 15 were taken to the testing station, while 11 were checked at the roadside.

Eighteen of the 26 vehicles were found to have defects with 17 being immediately suspended from being used. The problems on the vehicles included oil leaks, loose exhausts, worn shock absorbers and damaged bodywork.

In total, this meant 69 per cent of those checked had at least one defect with one vehicle stopped in Newport Pagnell having a total of 10 faults listed against it.

Once vehicles are fixed they are tested again and if they pass then the suspension on the vehicle is lifted.

Sgt Simon Hills, of Hampshire and Thames Valley Roads Policing Unit, said: "The value of operations like this are twofold.

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Spot check: Eighteen of the 26 vehicles that were stopped by police were found to have faults

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"Most of the drivers understand that this is a part of their jobs."

Goutan Das, a driver for Skyline, said: "It does not bother me, they need to make the checks and it helps with the image of taxi drivers in the city."

But Mutasar Bhaddi, from Speedline, said: "We do an MOT every third month, why do we do that when these checks are also made?"

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Killer to be deported after losing appeal

BY CHRIS KNIGHT

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THE killer of an Oldbrook man is to be deported to Jamaica after failing in his Court of Appeal claim that the move would violate his human rights.

Eric Johnson, 30, served a nine-year jail sentence after he was convicted of stabbing 30-year-old David Williams in his flat on Oldbrook Boulevard in 2007.

But Johnson claimed he should not be deported because he had suffered discrimination as an illegitimate child of a British father.

The case has been through the High Court and immigration tribunals – and Johnson has finally now lost his case before Court of Appeal judges.

Lord Justice Laws, Lady Justice Arden and Lord Justice Lindblom said a Home Office deportation decision should stand.

The court heard Johnson, of Shepherds Bush, west London, was sent down in August 2008 for the manslaughter of Mr Williams.

> In my judgement, there was no violation of Eric Johnson's (*pictured left*) Convention rights
>
> **Lady Justice Arden**

The Home Office said he should be deported because, Jamaican-born, he is not a British national.

Under rules as they stood when Johnson was born, if not married then both parents had to be British to entitle him to automatic citizenship.

In July 2014, Mr Justice Dingemans blocked Johnson's deportation on the basis that it would violate his rights under the Human Rights Convention.

He said it breached Johnson's rights under Article 8, which protect a person's private life, and Article 14, which bans discrimination.

But now, after an appeal, three senior judges have overturned that decision, paving the way for Johnson's removal.

Lady Justice Arden said: "In my judgement, there was no violation of Mr Johnson's Convention rights under Article 14, read with Article 8, by the denial of British nationality at birth.

"Even if there had been a violation of Mr Johnson's Convention rights, it was outside the Human Rights Act because it occurred before that Act came into force."

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Teen stars in TV advert campaign

BY CHRIS KNIGHT
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Amazing experience: Saoirse Sullivan promoting the National Citizen Service. She is one of the stars in its new TV advert

A TEENAGER has been chosen as one of 20 young people to feature in a TV advertising campaign for the National Citizen Service (NCS).

Saoirse Sullivan, 17, was recognised during her time with the NCS and her enthusiasm in encouraging more young people to sign up helped her selection.

The NCS is a four-week part-residential programme for 16 to 17-year-olds in the UK and focuses on fun and discovery but is designed to build confidence, grow life skills and increase social conscience.

After being named an NCS leader in October 2015, Saoirse was invited to take part in a Giorgio Testi photo shoot in London.

Creative director Testi has previously worked with the likes of Adele, Oasis and The Rolling Stones, as well as brands like Adidas, Converse and Red Bull.

Saoirse, from Westcroft, said: "NCS was one of the best experiences of my life and I can't believe I've been able to relive it all over again as part of the advertising shoot.

"What started as four weeks of my summer holidays has resulted in life-long friendships, a new found confidence in stepping out of my comfort zone and an amazing experience that will stay with me for ever.

"I'd say to any young person considering taking part in the NCS programme to sign up straight away. You may be feeling apprehensive, but remember that everyone else is in the same position too!"

The television advertisement shows friends being reunited to relive their NCS experiences through 360 degree projections of footage filmed during the NCS programme. It first aired on January 17 on ITV, Channel 4, Channel 5 and Sky and will appear in cinemas throughout February.

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A police clampdown results in 61 arrests

BY PHILIP MCELENEY
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A TOTAL of 61 people were arrested for drink and/or drug-driving in Milton Keynes during a police crackdown over the festive period.

Dedicated patrols were carried out regularly between December 1 and January 1 to deter and detect motorists suspected of putting lives in danger.

The number of arrests in Milton Keynes was one more than the same time last year but the figure across Thames Valley increased from 273 in 2014 to 325 in 2015.

The campaign reinforces the stark message that motorists who drink-drive risk ruining not just their own life, but the lives of others too, such as passengers and pedestrians.

Thames Valley Police Road Safety Sergeant Chris Appleby said: "It's crucial that we never forget the fatal consequences of drink and drug-driving.

"Any road user – be it drivers, passengers or pedestrians – can suffer life-changing injuries as a result of a drink-drive incident and family members can suffer the devastating emotional effects from such tragedies.

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MP's concerns over hotspot for burglary

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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MP MARK Lancaster has written to police after Milton Keynes appeared in a MoneySuperMarket survey on burglary hotspots.

As reported in MK NEWS last week, Olney was also named by the insurance company as being in the top 20 burglary hotspots in the UK.

The MP for Milton Keynes North, which includes Olney, has written to the Chief Constable and Police Crime Commissioner of Thames Valley Police to find out what will be done in response.

Olney was named after analysis of the number of 'theft of property from the home' claims per 1,000 home insurance quotes run on MoneySuperMarket in the past two years.

The report revealed that in the Olney postcode – MK46 – there were 42.2 household insurance claims per thousand households last year.

Letters: Mark Lancaster has written to the Chief Constable and Crime Commissioner

Concerns have been raised by readers but they say the statistics don't take in crime statistics and are based on insurance claims.

Mr Lancaster said: "I am deeply concerned by these figures that serve to substantiate the concerns of my constituents and those in the wider North Bucks area.

"I am, therefore, keen to know what plans will be put in place to provide reassurance to residents and have offered my support in this endeavour."

Talking about the survey, which showed the burglary hotspots and the top 20 safest places, Kevin Pratt, consumer affairs expert at MoneySuperMarket, said: "Our findings suggest thieves favour busy urban areas where strangers are unlikely to be spotted and it's easy to make a quick getaway.

"Leafy suburbs are also heavily targeted, with burglars following the money to affluent areas. The best way to avoid the emotional turmoil and financial distress associated with a burglary is to be vigilant and secure your home."

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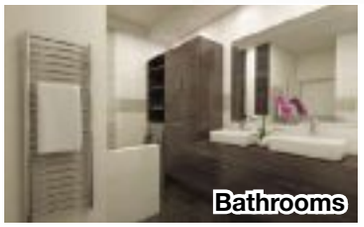

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Worry over plans by Wetherspoon

Switch for author

A MOTHER-OF-TWO from Walnut Tree held a book signing for her debut fantasy novel on Friday.

Anna Smith met fans at Waterstones at intu to mark the launch of Darkhaven – the first of a planned trilogy. She said: "I've been into Waterstones many time as a reader, and it felt great to be sat there as a published author."

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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NEWPORT Pagnell Town Council will oppose the proposed Wetherspoon development.

As MK NEWS reported last week, Wetherspoon has submitted a planning application to Milton Keynes Council for the former fine dining restaurant Robinsons in Silver Street.

The plans include a refurbishment, small extension, beer garden, parking and later opening hours.

At a town council meeting on Thursday, local business owners and residents met with councillors to raise concerns about parking, noise, the heritage of the Grade II-listed building and the threat to other businesses.

And after hearing the concerns, the town council said it would be writing to Milton Keynes Council to detail objections.

Town clerk Shar Roselman said: "I do understand that a new planning application is still coming forward but I don't believe there have been any significant alterations."

As reported last May, Darren and Angela Robinson, owners of Robinsons, announced its closure for personal health reasons.

Local resident Margaret Gallagher, who has lived in Newport Pagnell for more than 30 years, said: "It is not like we need another pub in the area. Robinsons did really well and there is no reason why another forward-thinking restaurant owner couldn't make a good go of it."

Eddie Gershon, a spokesman for Wetherspoon, said; "We will await the outcome of the planning application.

"We won't comment on specific matters before the application is heard, however, we are always willing to address the concerns of the residents."

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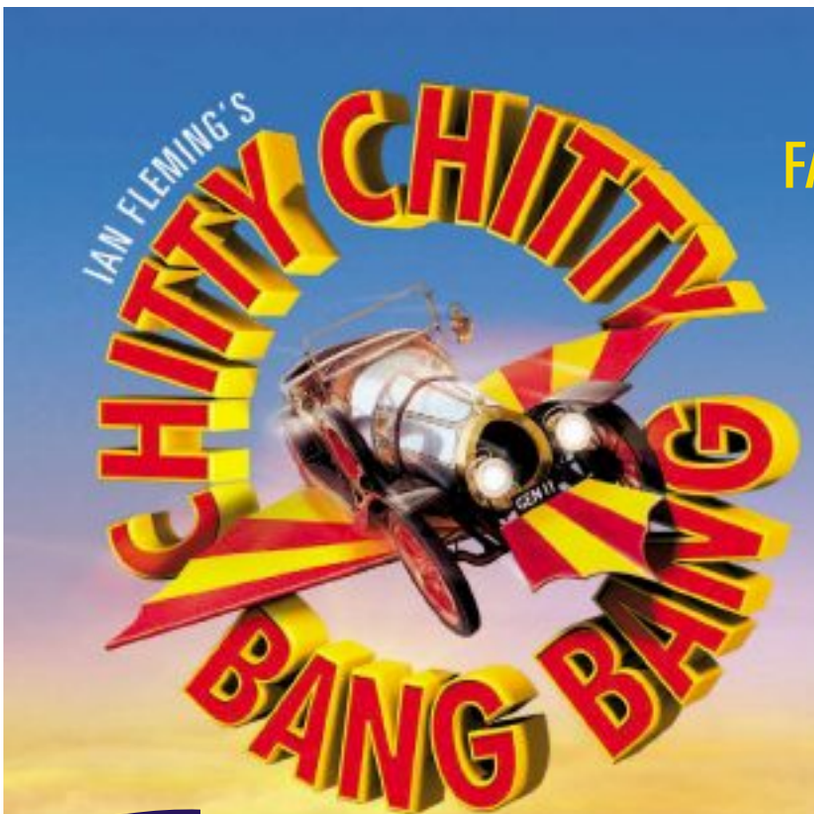

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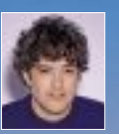
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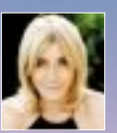
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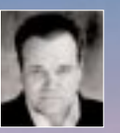
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Double take: Fans dressed up for the Unibet Masters

Fans throw on fancy costumes

SOME of the best darts players in the world were in action at ArenaMK at the weekend for the Unibet Masters, ahead of the new Premier League season.

Michael van Gerwen claimed the title on Sunday evening, defeating Dave Chisnall 11-6 in the final.

It is the second year in a row the Unibet Masters has come to the city and fans got into the spirit of the sport by dressing in a variety of weird and wonderful costumes.

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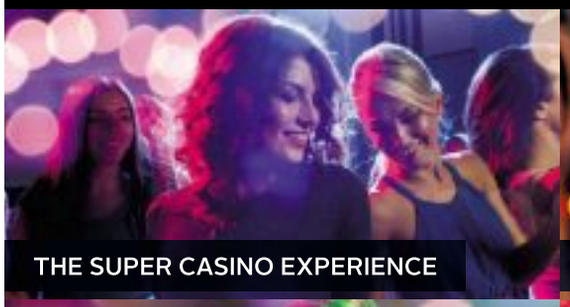

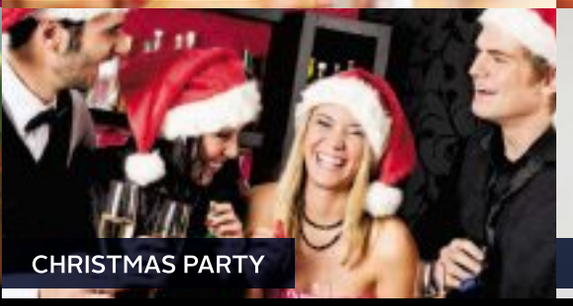

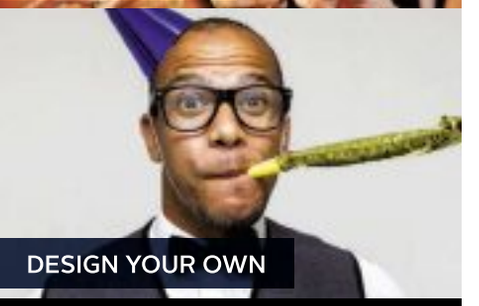

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MK BUSINESS

MK Feast: Franzi Florack wants to promote local produce

Festival to celebrate food

A NEW food festival is coming to Bradwell Abbey and is being dubbed the biggest attempt yet to showcase local food and artisan talent.

MK Feast has been organised by MK Food Revolution, which was set up in September 2015 and run by Franzi Florack. She is passionate about independent food and drink companies and found there was not much of a foodie scene in the city.

The 28-year-old former teacher said: "I used to live in Leeds where there were lots of local producers being celebrated but didn't really find this in Milton Keynes. I have now met some enthusiastic companies."

■ Read more about the event, on February 20, at onemk.co.uk

Staff 'go Dutch' and jump on their bikes

BY PHILIP MCELENEY
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A TELECOMS company has launched a scheme to get staff cycling and is encouraging small businesses to follow its lead.

Boxx Communications, based in the centre of Milton Keynes, has introduced 'Dutchie'-style bikes for workers to use to run office errands, at lunchtime and even visit local clients.

The company is hoping it will help promote a healthier lifestyle, improve community spirit and boost business promotion.

Kelly Green, from Boxx Communications, said: "We're trying to promote a healthy lifestyle and get as many people on bikes as possible.

"We have quite a few staff who drive in to work and use the bikes – it's not always easy to park as well so it can help for that."

James Green and Dean Burgin, Boxx's co-founders, are both keen cycling fans and feel Milton Keynes is the perfect place for people to start pedalling.

Dean said: "Not only is MK relatively flat, with wide open spaces, but the city also has a redway system of cycle paths, making it even easier for locals to embrace cycling."

Pedal power: *From left*, James Green, Joanne Willmott, Salma Miah, Jamie Gillam, Joanne Willmott and Dean Burgin with bikes that are being used as part of the city cycle scheme

James and Dean have partnered with fellow business owners Paul Ashby and Carl Meek of Bogota Coffee Company – a business that delivers coffee using bikes – to come up with the 'Go Dutch' concept and are encouraging other businesses to get on board.

Boxx feels the bikes allow staff to do more with their lunch hour and make more of the city centre.

"The legendary shopping centre is not easy to accomplish in a lunch break – so being on a bike certainly makes tackling the busy sprawl of the city centre much easier and more enjoyable," James added.

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MKBUSINESS

New firms open while others look to expand

BY PHILIP MCELENEY
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IN THE last month several businesses have announced they are opening outlets in the city, while other industry giants have made plans to expand.

There was positive news for employment after John Lewis launched a recruitment drive following plans to expand its warehouse team at Magna Park 3 – the company's third national distribution centre in Milton Keynes.

The company is hiring 60 new employees and, although the recruitment drive has already started, it has been staggered, meaning jobs will still be available during February.

Milton Keynes continues to act as a magnet for new businesses, with cult US burger chain Smash Burger announcing it will be opening its first UK restaurant at the Kingston Centre.

The Colorado-based business completed a deal to open a 1,700sq ft unit, which is the first move in a plan to open 35 restaurants in the UK.

Fast food Indian burrito company Wrapchic is also moving to the city and will be opening a branch in intu Milton Keynes shopping centre on Friday.

David Walton, head of retail at Harris Lamb, who secured the site in Milton Keynes for Wrapchic, said: "The response to the outlets to date has been immense and we're confident that a presence within Milton Keynes shopping centre will boost awareness and footfall for the brand even further and aid its UK growth this year."

Discount homeware store HomeSense, which is the sister shop of TK Maxx, is also set to open in Milton Keynes, creating a number of jobs.

It is believed HomeSense will open in the empty unit last occupied by Mother Care at the Kingston Centre, already home to the likes of Tesco, Next and Wilko.

A statement from the company read: "As a growing business the new store in Milton Keynes is due to open soon.

"We are looking for sales associates with a passion for service to join our new team."

Papa John's Pizza's Quality Control Centre and dough plant – based in Milton Keynes – is currently undergoing a £2.1million refurbishment, which will see the office completely stripped and refurbished, with a new reception and atrium.

Career advice: The Milton Keynes Jobs Show, which was once again supported by MK NEWS, was opened by MPs Mark Lancaster and Iain Stewart on Friday

Job seekers flock to show

THE fifth MK Job Show was held on Friday and Saturday at Middleton Hall in the centre:mk.

Described as a 'must visit' exhibition for people considering changing career, the Job Show was opened by local MPs Mark Lancaster and Iain Stewart.

This year, the main sponsor of the event was Kuehne + Nagel and businesses such as Dominos, Hollywood Bowl, Jardine Motors Group, McDonald's and Tesco Customer Fulfilment had stands. There was also a series of free seminars and workshops for jobseekers to receive career advice and help them secure employment in the future.

Mike Bickerdike, Job Show organiser, said: "Since running in January 2014, the Jobs Show has helped put people in to about 25,000 jobs.

"Milton Keynes is a hotspot in the UK due to our geographical position. There is a huge amount of space to build office blocks – most cities have to demolish to build – but we have this huge advantage and we have a council that is keen to encourage new businesses.

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Artist's impression: the new £7.1million office building in Central Milton Keynes

Major new office building attracts city advisory firm

BY JESSICA DUNCAN
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WORK is set to begin on building the first major new office development in Central Milton Keynes for seven years.

Victoria House is to be built in Avebury Boulevard and will cost £7.1million. It has been designed by international architects Broadway Malyan and is being developed by Frontier Estates.

The 38,000sq ft development, which overlooks nearby Grafton Park, is set to be the new base for business advisory firm Grant Thornton, which has signed a pre-let deal to take 20,000sq ft.

Building work is due to start on March 21 and should be completed by April, 2017.

Broadway Malyan director Neil Rose said the architectural expression of the new headquarter building will reflect Milton Keynes' heritage, while also ensuring it meets ambitious sustainability targets.

He said: "Our design approach was very much about looking to go back to the simple modernism of Milton Keynes with a regular and simple gridded façade of concrete and brick, which is going to weather well and is reflective of the early aspirations of the new town."

Frontier director Mike Mansell said the scheme reflected a growing confidence in Milton Keynes as a business destination, both for existing companies and new investors.

He said: "Milton Keynes' strong skills base and quality housing stock as well as its easy access to London have supported its strong economic growth in recent years and Victoria House represents our belief that it retains significant long-term potential."

Other features of the building will include a roof-top terrace overlooking Avebury Boulevard, a three-metre high covered colonnade along the front of the building, 49 car parking spaces and pedestrian access routes to Grafton Park.

Kevin Gale, practice leader at Grant Thornton's Milton Keynes office, added: "Grant Thornton has operated in Milton Keynes for nearly 40 years and the move to Victoria House from our current location in Silbury Boulevard underlines the firm's ongoing commitment to the local and regional market."

Economy sees strong growth

A NEW report shows workers are seeing the benefits of the city's growing economy, according to a leading figure from Invest MK.

The latest report from Centre for Cities – an independent research group that annually ranks the economies of towns and cities across the UK – revealed Milton Keynes is among the top 10 places in the country in several areas, including the number of business start-ups, weekly wages and patents granted.

Pam Gosal, head of corporate economic development and inward investment at MK Council and economic development at Invest MK, believes individuals are seeing the benefits of economic growth in the city.

She said: "It's not just businesses that are benefiting, it's individuals too, and that makes for a better economy."

Mrs Gosal also feels businesses within the city are helping each other to grow, which is seeing the number of successful start-ups grow.

"Our businesses are really good at coming forward with innovative ideas," she said.

"The businesses are really good and really resilient. I think start-ups are more mature now and we have got to keep them going."

Mrs Gosal also added business in the city – particularly those in the technology sector – will be developed even more in the future.

She said: "Watch this space as we will be announcing a few tech hubs."

And she feels the city is in a good position economically, much to the envy of others.

"It's a nice place to be and towns would love to be in this situation," she added.

Industry where word of mouth is vital

Plumbing Gas and Solutions Limited, based in Wymbush, has just landed a large contract with Center Parcs in Woburn Forest. In light of this deal, MK Business sat down with company director Carl Yeomanson, *left*, for a question and answer session.

Q: WHAT can attracting a client of this size and reputation do for you and other local businesses?

A: "First things first, don't think that we simply rolled up to Center Parcs' front door on Monday morning. The whole process has been extremely tight-lipped from the beginning.

Ever since Center Parcs announced that they would be opening a new resort in Woburn, it was immediately our ambition to secure such a well sought-after client and others alike.

However, you need to be careful with these situations, it's easy to get excited and throw your all at it immediately. It's important to bide your time, remain professional and continue to provide a service that your current and future customers are proud to shout about. After all, in the plumbing industry, word of mouth is vital and everything is based on a review system.

For local companies to secure such high-value clients only shows that Milton Keynes is growing and will continue to grow, allowing itself to compete with the big boys on service, if not better it."

Q: How does securing such large contracts affect your staff, if at all?

A: "I have to say, all of our engineers and office staff are fantastic. We all pull in the same direction and when you have a team like that, it makes running a business easier.

Unfortunately there are always going to be rough patches, the same in any organisation, but when we secure clients like Center Parcs and Amazon.co.uk it gives the place a lift, it gives all of the engineers the opportunity to really showcase their skills and knowledge."

Q: What services do you provide to your clients?

A: "We're very fortunate. We have a team of plumbers and gas engineers that are capable of carrying out a range of works in both the residential and commercial sectors.

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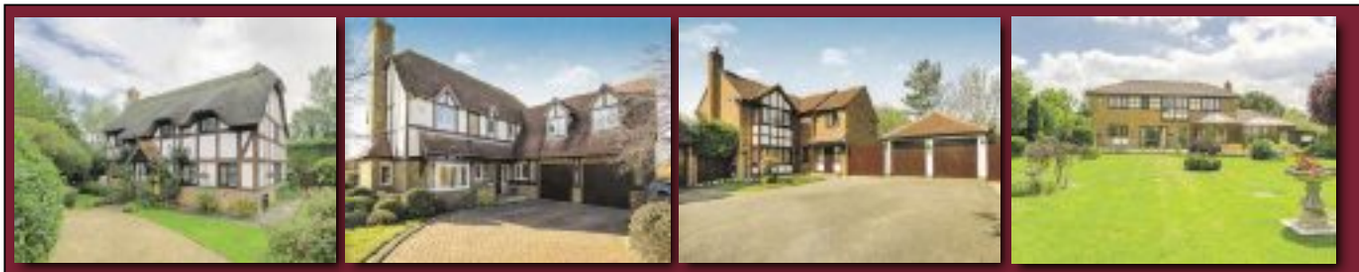

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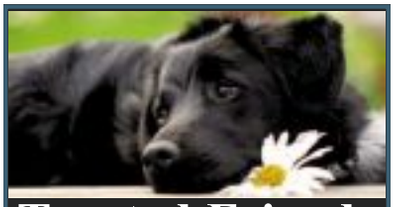

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love-lyprizes

WITH Valentine's Day around the corner, now is the time to start thinking about what to get your car-loving partner.

Say no to the usual cliché gifts of roses, chocolates and stuffed toys and get your loved one something they really want, thanks to Autoglym.

Your partner will enjoy using Autoglym products to give some TLC to the other love in their life – their car.

And you could get your hands on one of these products in time for Valentine's Day with MK LIFE giving away a Perfect Bodywork, Wheels and Interiors Collection containing nine products and accessories valued at £64.

This comprehensive set includes the sought-after Super Resin Polish, which leaves a glossy, flawless finish by removing swirls and reviving tired dull paint. A 500ml bottle of Fast Glass is also part of the kit and a favourite among Autoglym customers is the award-winning Wheel Protector, which keeps your wheels looking pristine for longer.

To win one of the five kits up for grabs, answer the following question:

When is Valentines Day?

A) February 12
B) February 14
C) March 14

BOB STREATFEILD, the ranger at Woburn Safari Park, wishes MK LIFE readers a happy New Year and has some exciting news to share

IT'S very exciting here at Woburn Safari Park at the moment, as we eagerly await the shortlist for the tiger cub naming competition.

For the past couple of weeks, we've been asking you for Russian name suggestions for one of the female Amur tiger cubs, keeping in line with her origins – the Amur region of Siberia.

We've had some absolutely fantastic suggestions and the tiger keepers are now putting together a shortlist of their favourite names (not an easy job!) which will go back to a public vote.

So keep an eye on woburnsafari.co.uk to have your say on which name you'd like for one of the cubs. Find out how to submit your name idea at **onemk.co.uk**

It's almost February half-term too, which means that we'll be opening daily again from Thursday, February 11.

Come and see us during the school break as we'll be welcoming my good friend The Gruffalo for a visit on Sunday, February 14.

You can meet him at intervals down at Elephant Meadow throughout the day.

I look forward to seeing you all soon.

irishicons

THE Dublin Legends will be coming to The Stables on Tuesday and tickets for the performance are still available.

Sean Cannon, Eamonn Campbell, Gerry O'Connor and Paul Watchorn are all considered icons in Irish folk music and the quartet will be performing classics such as Whiskey in the Jar, The Wild Rover and The Rare Auld Times.

Beginning at 8pm in the Jim Marshall Auditorium, tickets start at £25 – for more information, visit www.stables.org

animalfarm

HULA Animal Rescue is holding its February fair this weekend.

On Sunday, people and animals of all ages are invited to visit HULA and enjoy some bargains at the grand sale.

From 10am to 1pm at the Aspley Guise farm there will be books, clothes, toys, games, shoes, CDs, bric a brac, glasses, gifts, soft furnishings, pictures, soft toys, bags, DVDs, jewellery and accessories.

If that is not enough to make you want to visit, all the animals HULA looks after would love to see you, with dogs, cats and small animals looking for their forever homes and the charity's residential goat, cow and chickens wanting to say hello.

Refreshments will also be available and all proceeds raised from the day go towards HULA's animals.

comedy night

FORMER Casualty and Hollyoaks star James Redmond will be headlining Comedy Cow on Wednesday, February 10.

James, who has also appeared on Never Mind the Buzzcocks and Celebrity Come Dine With Me, will be supported by Craig Deeley.

Caroline Mabey will be hosting the show, which is expected to start at 8pm at Clary's Bar in Casino MK. Tickets are priced at £7 and for more information, visit www.thecomedycow.co.uk

queenreturns

spellbindingevening

WANDS at the ready Harry Potters fans, the sorting hat, house points and The Leaky Cauldron are all on their way to the city.

Waterstones in intu Milton Keynes shopping centre will be holding a Harry Potter book night full of witchcraft and wizardry tomorrow from 6-8pm.

The spellbinding evening will give you the chance to try on the sorting hat and be put into a house, gain house points, sip a potion or two in the shop's own version of The Leaky Cauldron and hear readings from Harry Potter books.

If you wear wizarding robes or Harry Potter-themed fancy dress you'll qualify for 10 per cent off your purchases.

YORK House in Stony Stratford will see the long-awaited return of the Queen of Banjo, Evie Ladin, on Saturday.

This stunning American performer will be on stage with her partner, the versatile and gymnastic Keith Terry, between 8 and 11pm.

This pair have a lot more than just banjos, they provide an energetic and electrifying hybrid of American folk arts and dance.

Tickets cost £8 from www.wegottickets.com/event/338373 or from York House Centre (cash only) during office hours (Monday to Friday, 9.30-noon).

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female seeking

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ELLEN, 60, blonde, easy-going, seeking her valentine gentleman, 60-70, to spend some time with and enjoy evenings out, so look forward to hearing from you. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420965**

KATIE 35yrs, slender well educated brunette seeks no strings mutual pleasure with gent 40+ Must be discreet, married or single. ACA. **Tel: 0906 515 3000 Box: 419673**

STUDENT, single mum, blonde hair, blue eyes, 45, caring, loyal and honest seeking man, darkish hair 40 to 55 sincere and loyal, must be employed. **Text only to mailbox: 4753663**

DISCREET man wanted by married lady for no strings fun. I'm called Sarah and am 37yrs. Pls call, ACA. **Tel No: 0906 515 3004 Box 418167**

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CHRIS, widow, brunette, cuddly, likes meals out, walks, holidays, looking for companionship and some time with a kind, caring gentleman, age unimportant. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420825**

JANE, young 41, very broadminded seeks chap any age for discreet no strings fun, any age, no time wasters ACA. **Tel: No: 0906 515 3008 Box: 409715**

FEMALE, 37, new to area, would like to meet nice trustworthy man, for friendship hopefully more. **Text only to mailbox: 5392585**

LUCY first time advertiser, 32yrs, tall slim blonde airline worker, seeks discreet gent, any status for casual fling. Looks/age unimportant. **Tel: 0906 515 3024 Box: 420237**

JASMINE, musical lady, husband in the forces and bored alone, 35yrs but loves older men. ACA. **Text only Box: 4161836**

STACY 39, green eyes, blonde hair, toned body, looking for genuine loving male to enjoy good times in or out and to fall in love with. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420789**

SOPHIA young 40yrs, married but bored, seeks discreet adult fun, any area, all calls answered. **Tel: 0906 515 3016 Box: 413399**

TRISHA, 44, tall slim dark haired sporty female, OHAC, solvent, affectionate, working, WLTM male up to 50yrs for mutual interests and romantic dates in/out. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420755**

SALLY, 24yrs tall brunette with feminine curves seeks mature older chap, 35+ for discreet fun only, must be experienced. ACA. **Tel: 0906 515 3028 Box: 420247**

CHRIS, 67, brunette, cuddly, WLTM caring, kind gentleman, for days out, meals out, walks etc and for just being together. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420667**

SHARON, 38, slim size 10 blonde, horsy, loves nights out, looking for new adventures with tall, dark, fit considerate male to look after. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420727**

KAREN, blue eyed blonde, size 14 with a large bust, 46yrs. Give me a call for some discreet chats. **Text only Box: 4053061**

GILLY, 36, green eyed red haired nurse looking to start a new life with similar lonely male also looking for genuine love. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420713**

SALLY ANN, care worker for the elderly so loves older men. Im only 29yrs but very mature. **Text only Box: 4145714**

TRACY, 41, mum of two, blonde, slim, attractive, tactile and very sexy for age, WLTM male 30-50yrs for LTR, single dad welcome. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420699**

JULIE big blue eyed blonde size 12 glamorous granny, 40's, likes a good film with a nice wine, walking, meals out, seaside, seeking young at heart male 40-55yrs **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420683**

JENNY, 65, likes fishing and camping, seaside, gardening, animals, looking for a male between 55-80, in Milton Keynes or surrounding areas. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 419553**

DENISE 40, very attractive, homely but definitely not boring, watch me salsa then I will cook! Call me. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420613**

SUZANNE, 44, first time advertiser very lonely and looking for love with considerate, loyal male with lots of love to give and GSOH. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420589**

KAREN 38 slim and attractive seeking confident professional for companionship, status/looks unimportant. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420561**

CHRISTINA, 52, from Trinidad, looking for someone of similar age who is single, kind and honest, and would like to migrate to Trinidad. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420507**

NEAVE, 30yrs loving petite female who loves to wear heels, looking for fun times and nights out with confident male. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420489**

DEBBIE, 41, attractive young looking divorced female, seeking male who wants but does not need a special someone in their life, single dad welcome. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420473**

JUDY slim blue eyed blonde, 35yrs, great fun, intelligent, educated, N/S, seeks witty guy for gym dates, friendship and more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420443**

EMMA pretty 30yr old Scottish lassie, new to the area and looking for some nice company, give me a call and we can take it from there. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420353**

ALI, 35, slim-build, fit, brown hair, blue eyes, GSOH, loving and caring, very genuine, n/s, enjoys swimming and walking my dog, looking for a similar n/s guy for friendship/LTR. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420373**

DIVORCED female, 55, seeks easy going male in Chelmsford area between 55 and 65. Must be non-smoker, have own car and house. **Text only to mailbox no: 5345180**

ANN 40's female looking for male for broadminded adult fun, no strings. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 412369**

JEAN,44, professional nurse attractive and all woman! loves wining and dining seeking white knight who appreciates a real black beauty. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420351**

JENNY, 40, very feminine attractive mature classy female with beautiful blue eyes, looking for male to enjoy plenty of laughs and get to know. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420349**

SUSIE tactile 33yr old female who loves fast cars and motorbikes, seeks genuine male prepared to live life in the fast lane, 35-50yrs. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420205**

PRETTY slim female with long brown hair, fit and active seeks fit older male for energetic relationship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 416497**

VAL, 45, compassionate outgoing female with a big heart and no preconceptions just looking for love with similar minded male. Call me. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420193**

ALI 47, seeking male for weekends away, to say have you had a good day, friendship and more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 418275**

MARIANNE, 38, slim, sporty, fun with good personality, loves travel, holding hands and caring for people. Seeks genuine male, no time wasters. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420173**

ALISON, five foot seven, slim build, brown hair and blue eyes, caring and loyal, likes swimming, walking dog, fun to be with, looking for a genuine caring guy, age not important, for friendship possible LTR. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420087**

DEBBIE, 43, dark haired passionate classy, discreet female looking for professional intelligent male wanting mutual companionship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420071**

SARAH, 37, beautiful broadminded female, seeks similar open-minded hunky guy for fun/ friendship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 418167**

EMMIE 28yr old lonely single mum all out of love, looking for good company with male who can tame a confident beautiful sensual lady. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420041**

male seeking

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MALE 61, dark hair, 5ft 10ins, slim, GSOH, genuine, seeks female for romance, TLC and soul mate. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 394426**

GENUINE, honest male, 45, wants to find his one true love, seeks lady 30-55, for relationship, must be in the Newbury area. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 419893**

BERNARD 63, brown hair/eyes, seeking lady for soul mate, romance and TLC. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 409883**

WIDOWER 67, looking for female, any age/size, looks not important, for some TLC and LTR as been on my own for too long. **Text only to mailbox: 4837120**

MALE, 43, married, athletic, WLTM discreet female, age unimportant, for no-strings daytime companionship. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420251**

JOHN, six foot one, 67, own home, WLTM a lady for friendship and maybe romance. Can accommodate. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 419687**

SINCERE male, 45, seeks his soul mate, 30-55, for relationship. Must be Newbury area. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420137**

JASON 42, self-employed, 6ft 2ins, attractive, toned, firm, athletic, seeks daytime discreet meets with passionate fun female up to 59. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 413331**

IAN, 51, considered handsome, ex police, OHAC, enjoys karate, music, museums and art galleries, looking for an attractive caring, female to develop a friendship, possibly leading to more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420241**

WILLIAM, 68, n/s, GSOH, own flat, WLTM a nice lady with a GSOH to have fun with. To be a friend and a lover, and to be with for the rest of days. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420181**

BLACK guy, 47, 6"tall, slim and attractive seeks a large built black or white lady 38 to 55 years old. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 418745**

MALE, 59, xx large build, kind, caring honest, GSOH, has car and bungalow, looking for someone loving and caring, to be there for the good times and the bad times, for friendship and more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 419587**

MALE 56, young outlook, smart, tall, brown hair, blue eyes, OHAC, GSOH, seeks attractive female to spoil. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 250044**

STEWART 47, fit, muscular, looking for no strings adult fun, any age, must be discreet. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 416279**

40+, 6'1 tall, black man, has a job, rents a nice house, looking for a decent curvy woman aged between 30 and 40. **Text only to Mailbox no: 4919402**

WHITE male, 50, seeks genuine, loyal, sincere black female for LTR. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 413261**

JAMES single dad, fun to be around with, needs a smile put back on my face, would love to hear back from anybody who may be interested in some fun times! **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 419121**

MALE 66, fun loving, seeks female, any age, for friendship, romance and good times. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 419055**

48YR old white gent, seeks black lady for LTR. Any age/looks, must be genuine. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 390139**

DAVID, 62 year old male, I'm genuine and sincere, I'm easygoing with a good sense of humour, animal lover. I'm seeking a well-built female age or looks not important but with a kind and caring personality for friendship and maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 418643**

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57YR old white gent, seeks lady for LTR. Age/looks/nationality unimportant, must be genuine and sincere. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 411467**

WHITE gent 50, seeks black/Asian female for LTR, must be genuine and sincere. Age/looks unimportant. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 398563**

SINGLE white male, 50, seeks genuine, sincere, black/Asian female for LTR, age unimportant. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 398569**

67YR old male, active, fit, likes outdoor life, seeking lady soul mate, 55-65, slim, attractive for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 418097**

PETE 55, seeking a mature lady 50 to 70 for fun times , nights out and long term relationship. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4182814**

MALE seeking a widow 60+ for long term relationship, nights out and fun times. I am late 50's, active and professional. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4879848**

JOHN, young looking, world travelled kind and vibrant guy seeks NSA casual fun. Not hung up on a womans looks, size. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4844839**

gay seeking

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SIMON, gay guy from Oxford, 6ft3, light brown hair, blue eyes, caring, little bit disabled, many interests, looking for fun, friendship and a whole lot more. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420863**

EDWARD, 68, six foot one, WLTM a guy, can accommodate. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 420145**

GAY male, tall, slim, smooth, seeks gay male 50-70 for lots of fun. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 419495**

MUSCULAR bi guy seeks Milton Keynes guy for weekdays fun. Milton Keynes only. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 419119**

GAY male 54 years old, seeks gay male 40 to 42 years old for 121 long lasting relationship. **Text only to Mailbox No: 4732986**

MUSCULAR bi guy requires daytime meets with MK guy, cannot accommodate. **Tel No: 0906 515 4426 Box No: 418149**

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Wednesday, February 3, 2016

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The property benefits from a garage with off-road parking, gas to radiator central heating, double glazing and front and rear gardens.

The accommodation briefly comprises an entrance hall, downstairs cloakroom, lounge, kitchen with utility room, dining room, study, first floor landing, master bedroom with en-suite, family bathroom and garage.

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- Five Bedrooms
- Separate Reception Room
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£565,000

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Newton Leys

- Five Bedrooms
- Detached Property
- Build Complete 2014
- Three Reception Rooms
- Two En-Suites

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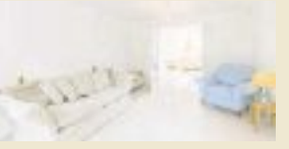

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- Five Bedroom Detached Property
- Overlooks Parkland
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- En-Suite, Bathroom & Downstairs WC
- Garage, Garden & Off Road Parking

Five bedroom detached, family home overlooking parkland in Grange Farm. The property benefits from garage with off road parking, gas to radiator central heating, double glazing and garden to the rear.

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Westcroft

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- Four Bedrooms
- Bathroom & Two En-Suites
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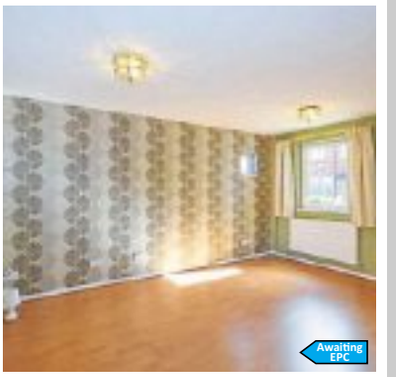
- Gardens, Garage & Off Road Parking
- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Extended Accommodation

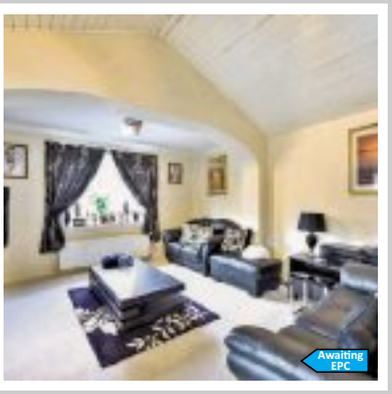
Crownhill **£340,000**

- Detached Family Home
- Improved by Current Owner
- Two Reception Rooms & En-Suite
- Detached Garage
- Recently Extended & Refurbished



Bradwell **£299,995**

- Three Bedroom Detached Property
- Flexible Accommodation
- Conservatory
- Double Glazing
- Garage & Gardens



Pennyland **£250,000**

- End Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Good Condition Throughout
- Landscaped Garden
- Off Road Parking

Brooklands **£320,000**

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Kitchen/Diner
- Bathroom, Cloakroom & En-Suite
- Car Port & Rear Garden
- Short Distance to M1

Pennyland **£240,000**

- Extended Property
- Three/Four Bedrooms
- Allocated Parking
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Call Branch for Details

Broughton **£220,000**

- Two Bedroom Maisonette
- Lounge/Kitchen Area
- Gated Parking
- Gas Central Heating
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Heelands **£195,000**

- Cul-de-Sac Location
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Conservatories
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- Re-fitted Kitchen

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Hanslope

OIEO £350,000

- Detached Family Property
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- Utility Room/Cloakroom
- Double Glazing
- Central Heating
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- Double Glazing

Stony Stratford — OIEO £225,000

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Breton — £275,000

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Conniburrow — **£210,000**

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Ashland — **£260,000**

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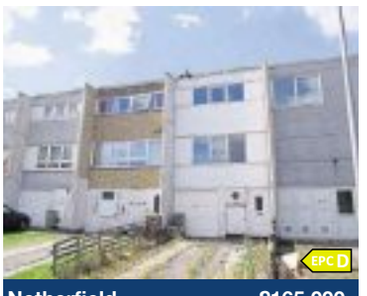

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Netherfield — **£150,000**

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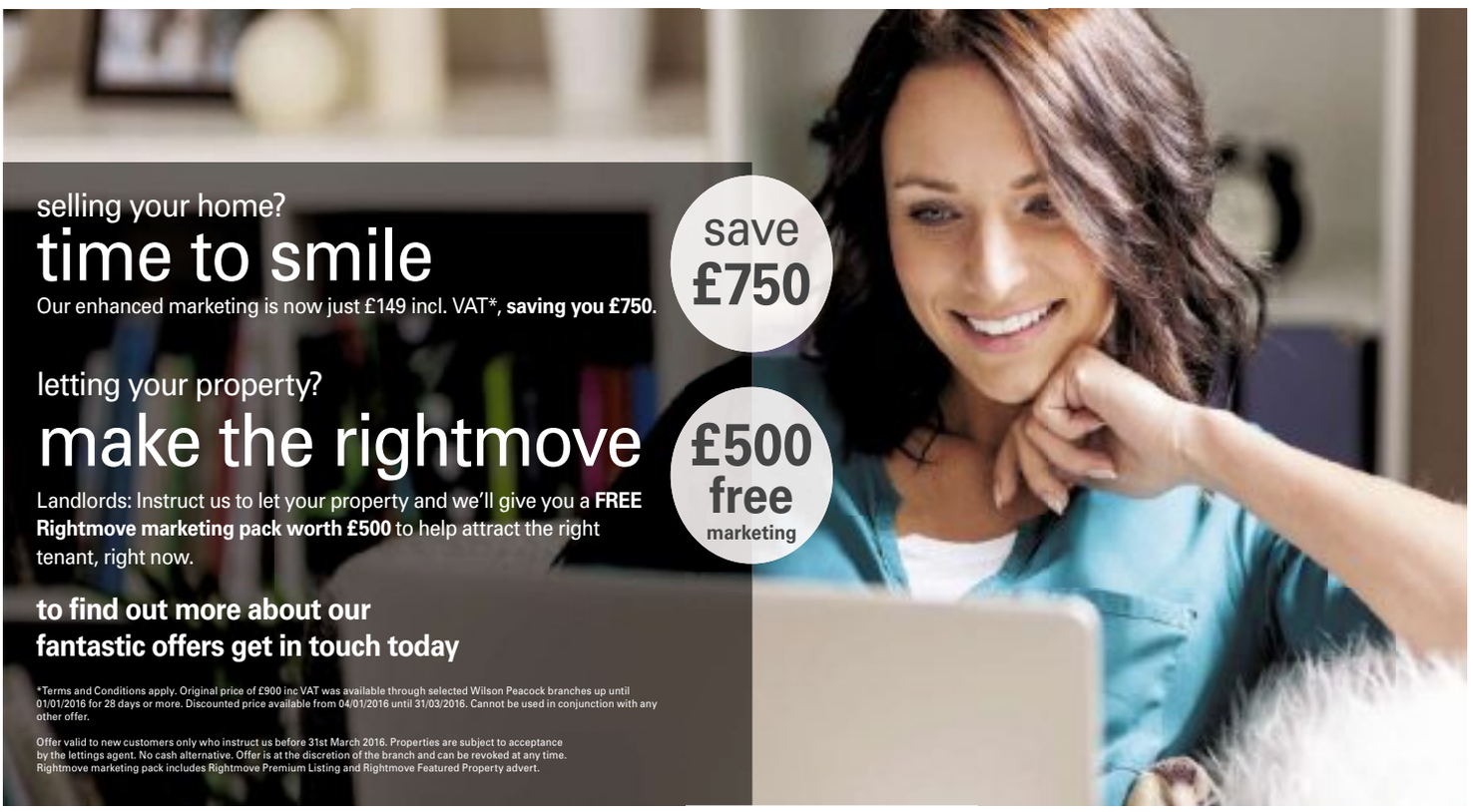

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Interview Date: w/b 29th February 2016

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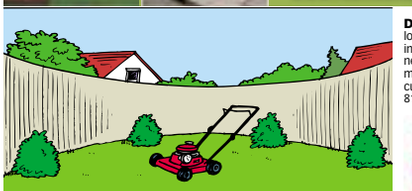

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NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF PUBLIC PATH ORDER
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990, SECTION 257 AND PARAGRAPH 7 OF SCHEDULE 14
THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES
FOOTPATH 26 AND (PART) 28 BLETCHLEY PARISH
PUBLIC PATH DIVERSION ORDER 2012

On the 3rd February 2016, the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes confirmed the above Order. The effect of the Order as confirmed is to divert the public footpath running from point A at O.S Grid Reference SP 487330/231342, in a north westerly direction for a distance of approximately 882 metres to point B at O.S Grid Reference SP 486555/231710, in a south westerly direction for a distance of approximately 258 metres to point C at O.S Grid Reference SP 486400/231505, to a line running from point A at O.S Grid Reference SP 487330/231342 in a north westerly direction for a distance of approximately 453 metres to point D at O.S Grid Reference SP 486949/231312, then in a south westerly direction for approximately 252 metres to point E at O.S Grid Reference SP 486746/231237, then in a north westerly direction for a distance of approximately 428 metres to point C at O.S Grid Reference SP 486400/231505 as shown on the order map.

The confirmed footpath is approximately 1100 metres in length and will have a 2 metre width throughout.

A copy of the confirmed Order and the Order map have been placed and may be seen free of charge at Milton Keynes Council, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm on any working day and at Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Milton Keynes during normal opening hours. Copies of the Order and map may be purchased from the Civic Offices at the price of £3.00. Please quote reference MC/PE/005797.

This Order came into effect on the 3rd February 2016, but if any person aggrieved by the Order desires to question its validity or that of any provision contained in it on the ground that it is not within the powers of the above Act, or on the ground that any requirement of that Act or any regulation made under it has not been complied with in relation to the confirmation of the Order, they may apply to the High Court for any of these purposes under section 287 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 within 6 weeks from the date on which notice is first published as required by paragraph 7 of Schedule 14 to that Act.

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The following applications may be inspected at the Planning and Transport Department, Civic Offices, 1 Saxon Gate East, Milton Keynes. Representations, if any, to be submitted in writing to the above address within 21 days of the publication of this notice.

SECTION 73	**WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**
15/03128/TCA	Notification of intention to crown reduce 3 Sycamore trees by 3 metres at 16 Station Road, Woburn Sands.
15/03130/TCA	Notification of intention to crown reduce by 2m x1 Horse Chestnut tree and pollard 2 Lime Trees back to main trunk at 16 Station Road, Woburn Sands.
SECTION 67 & 73	**LISTED BUILDING WITHIN A CONSERVATION AREA**
15/03193/TCA	Notification of intention to reduce crown by 25-30% 1x Eucalyptus (T1) and to fell 3 x Fraxinus (T2, T3, T4) at Castle House, 5 North Street, Castlethorpe.
15/03205/LBC	Listed building consent for demolition of 14 metre of stone wall and replacement with new wall and timber gate to provide new access from High Street at 35 High Street, Lavendon.
SECTION 67	**AFFECTING THE SETTING OF A LISTED BUILDING**
16/00045/MMAM	Variation of condition 1 (approved plans) attached to planning application 14/01068/FUL for minor material alterations to the proposed layout of the site, panels moved out of badger sett buffer, fence line moved out of badger sett buffer, reconfiguration of panel array to maintain capacity including lowering back edge height and to increase the size of the inverters at The Kickles, Lakes Lane, Newport Pagnell.

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT (AS AMENDED)
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES) ORDER 2010
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13
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THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF MILTON KEYNES – PROPOSED 'NO WAITING', 'NO LOADING' AND 'NO STOPPING' RESTRICTIONS, ONE-WAY TRAFFIC SYSTEM ALONG PARTS OF QUEENSWAY AND LOCKE ROAD, BLECTCHLEY – FEBRUARY 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes proposes to make three Traffic Regulation Orders under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 in relation to the Fixing the Links Scheme in Central Bletchley. The proposed Orders, the titles of which are recited at the end of this Notice, will have the following effects within the roads and parts of roads within Bletchley as stated below:-

- The introduction of 'no waiting at any time' and 'no loading at any time' restrictions along parts of the eastbound and westbound carriageway on Queensway between Saxon Street and Buckingham Road/Sherwood Drive/Water Eaten Road;
- To formalise the two bus stops on Queensway, Bletchley between Saxon Street and Buckingham Road/Sherwood Drive/Water Eaten Road;
- To formalise the one-way traffic System on Locke Road, Bletchley from its junction with Saxon Street to its junction with Duncombe Street.

Exemptions from the proposed Orders include emergency service vehicles, military vehicles, statutory undertakers, building, demolition and excavation.

A copy of the proposed Order together with a map showing the areas referred to along with a statement of reason for proposing the Orders, may be inspected during opening hours at **Milton Keynes Library**, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, **Bletchley Library**, Westfield Road, Bletchley and during normal office hours at Milton Keynes Council, Synergy Park, Chesney Wold, Bleak Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 1LY.

Any objections to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be **made in writing** and sent to the Network TRO Officer, Highways Department, Public Realm Services Group, Synergy Park, Chesney Wold, Bleak Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 1LY **to be received** no later than 24th February 2016 quoting reference PH-S1-TRO-141.

Titles of the Proposed Orders:-

1) The Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes (The Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes) (Various Roads, Central Bletchley and Fenny Stratford) (Consolidation of Parking and Waiting Restrictions) Order 2002) Variation Order 2016
2) The Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes (Locke Road, Bletchley) (One Way Traffic) Order 2016
3) The Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes (Parts of Queensway, Bletchley) (Prohibition of Stopping Except Buses) Order 2016.

PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME, VARIOUS ROADS, BLETCHLEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes proposes under Section 90A of the Highways Act 1980 to construct traffic calming measures consisting of six raised table humps to be placed along parts of Duncombe Street, Locke Road, Queensway and Saxon Street, Bletchley.

The six raised table humps will be constructed of "bituminous material or similar and will have a central lift of 50 millimetre".

1) Saxon Street (northbound carriageway)
The dimensions of the raised speed table will be as follows:-
Length: 10 metres **Width:** 7 metres **Height:** 50 millimetres
The location of the raised table hump will be from a point 45 metres north of its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 10 metres in a northerly direction.

2) Saxon Street (southbound carriageway)
The dimensions of the raised speed table will be as follows:-
Length: 10 metres **Width:** 12 metres **Height:** 50 millimetres
The location of the raised table hump will be from a point 49 metres north of its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 10 metres in a northerly direction.

3) Queensway (eastbound carriageway)
The dimensions of the raised speed table will be as follows:-
Length: 11 metres **Width:** 6 metres **Height:** 50 millimetres
The location of the raised table hump will be from a point 12 metres west of its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 11 metres in a westerly direction.

4) Queensway (westbound carriageway)
The dimensions of the raised speed table will be as follows:-
Length: 10.5 metres **Width:** 7 metres **Height:** 50 millimetres
The location of the raised table hump will be from a point 8 metres west of its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 10.5 metres in a westerly direction.

5) Locke Road
The dimensions of the raised speed table will be as follows:-
Length: 10 metres **Width:** 5 metres **Height:** 50 millimetres
The location of the raised table hump will be from a point 83 metres south of its junction with Saxon Street, continuing for a distance of 10 metres in a southerly direction.

6) Duncombe Street
The dimensions of the raised speed table will be as follows:-
Length: 27 metres **Width:** 10 metres **Height:** 50 millimetres
The location of the raised table hump will be from a point 7 metres south of its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 27 metres in a southerly direction.

Any objections to the proposal, together with grounds on which they are made must be made in writing and sent to the undersigned to be received no later than 24th February 2016 quoting reference PH-S90A-NOT-016.

ZEBRA PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS ON VARIOUS ROADS, BLETCHLEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes proposes to establish four pedestrian crossings under section 23(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (the Act).

The type of crossings will be **Zebra** pedestrian crossings, the construction of which will be carried out in accordance with the manner prescribed by regulations under section 25 of the Act.

The Zebra crossings will be located on Duncombe Street, Locke Road and Queensway, Bletchley, Milton Keynes.

The Duncombe Street crossing will commence from its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 35 metres in a southerly direction (including both sections of white zig-zag lining). The centre point of the crossing will be at a point 12 metres south of its junction with Brunel Roundabout. The crossing will extend across the whole width of the carriageway from the western kerbline to the eastern kerbline.

The Locke Road crossing will commence from a point 75 metres south of its junction with Saxon Street, continuing for a distance of 25 metres in a southerly direction (including both sections of white zig-zag lining). The centre point of the crossing will be at a point 87.5 metres south of its junction with Saxon Street. The crossing will extend across the whole width of the carriageway from the western kerbline to the eastern kerbline.

The Queensway (eastbound carriageway) crossing will commence from its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 38 metres in n westerly direction (including both sections of white zig-zag lining). The centre point of the crossing will be at a point 20 metres west of its junction with Brunel Roundabout. The crossing will extend across the whole width of the carriageway from the northern kerbline to the southern kerbline.

The Queensway (westbound carriageway) crossing will commence from its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 25 metres in a westerly direction (including both sections of white zig-zag lining). The centre point of the crossing will be at a point 13 metres west of its junction with Brunel Roundabout. The crossing will extend across the whole width of the carriageway from the northern kerbline to the southern kerbline.

Any representations about or objections to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be **made in writing** and sent to the Network TRO Officer, Highways Department, Public Realm Services Group, Synergy Park, Chesney Wold, Bleak Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 1LY **to be received** no later than 24th February 2016 quoting reference **PH-S23-NOT-017**. Any representations received will be taken into consideration before the implementation of the scheme.

There will be a Notice incorporating a map showing the location of this crossing on display at **Milton Keynes Library**, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, **Bletchley Library**, Westfield Road, Bletchley and during normal office hours at Milton Keynes Council, Synergy Park, Chesney Wold, Bleak Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 1LY and at the site itself from 3rd February 2016.

CONTROLLED PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS ON SAXON STREET, BLETCHLEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes proposes to relocate the two signalised pedestrian crossings on Saxon Street under section 23 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (the Act).

The type of crossings will be controlled (Toucan) crossings and are in connection with the 'fixing the links' scheme designed to provide safer crossing points for pedestrians.

The Saxon Street (northbound carriageway) crossing will commence from a point 27.5 metres north of its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 45 metres in a westerly direction (including both sections of white zig-zag lining). The centre point of the crossing will be at a point 50 metres north of its junction with Brunel Roundabout. The crossing will extend across the whole width of the carriageway from the eastern kerbline to the western kerbline.

The Saxon Street (southbound carriageway) crossing will commence from a point 34 metres north of its junction with Brunel Roundabout, continuing for a distance of 45 metres in an westerly direction (including both sections of white zig-zag lining). The centre point of the crossing will be at a point 76.5 metres north of its junction with Brunel Roundabout. The crossing will extend across the whole width of the carriageway from the eastern kerbline to the western kerbline.

Any representations about or objections to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be **made in writing** and sent to the Network TRO Officer, Highways Department, Public Realm Services Group, Synergy Park, Chesney Wold, Bleak Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 1LY **to be received** no later than 24th February 2016 quoting reference **PH-S23-NOT-018**. Any representations received will be taken into consideration before the implementation of the scheme.

There will be a Notice incorporating a map showing the location of this crossing on display at **Milton Keynes Library**, 555 Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes, **Bletchley Library**, Westfield Road, Bletchley and during normal office hours at Milton Keynes Council, Synergy Park, Chesney Wold, Bleak Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 1LY and at the site itself from 3rd February 2016.

(MILL STREET, NEWPORT PAGNELL) (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes has on 2nd February 2016 made an Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering, waiting or proceeding along Mill Street, Newport Pagnell in its entirety. It is anticipated that the temporary closure will be in effect from 8th February 2016 until 10th February 2016.

Whilst the above length of road is closed there will be no alternative route as Mill Street is a dead end road.

Access to properties along Mill Street will be maintained at all times.

There will be no exemptions from the provisions of the proposed Order except for emergency services vehicles and military vehicles being driven on operational duties.

The closure will be clearly signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual.

The temporary closure will be in force on the date shown when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs displayed in the affected part of road.

All affected properties will be notified of the forthcoming closure at least one week prior to works taking place.

The proposed Order will come into operation on 8th February 2016 and will continue in force for a maximum period of 1 month or until the said works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. If the works are not completed within the maximum period stated, a further order may be made.

Any person committing a breach of the order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The proposed road closure and diversion route can be viewed at www.roadworks.org.

(VARIOUS ROADS WITHIN OR ADJACENT TO CENTRAL MILTON KEYNES, EAGLESTONE, FISHERMEAD, PEARTREE BRIDGE, BROUGHTON, MONKSTON, MONKSTON PARK AND LEADENHALL) (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ORDER 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes, intends to make an order under Section 16A of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, for the purpose of facilitating the holding of a relevant event, namely the annual Milton Keynes Half Marathon and Festival of Running, being promoted by Dr Mick Bromilow, Chair of the Milton Keynes Athletics Club. The effect of the Order will be to temporarily prohibit vehicular access along and pedestrian access across parts of some roads within Central Milton Keynes, Eaglestone, Peartree Bridge, Broughton, Monkston and Monkston Park, Milton Keynes; to temporarily prohibit access to car parking areas and some portes cocheres along Avebury Boulevard, and prohibit right turns onto Avebury Boulevard, H6 Childs Way, H7 Chaffron Way and Fulwoods Drive, Leadenhall whilst the half marathon and 5K and 10K runs take place.

It is anticipated that the following temporary restrictions will be in effect on Sunday 6th March 2016 from 8.00 am until 2.30 pm:-

RESTRICTIONS FOR THE 5K AND 10K RUNS:-

LENGTHS OF ROAD TO BE CLOSED (and times of closure):

- Avebury Boulevard (westbound carriageway only) – From the access road at between Marlborough Gate and Lower Twelfth Street to its junction with Saxon Gate **(from 8am to 10:45am);**
- Marlborough Gate – From its junction with Bankfield Roundabout to its junction with Xscape Car Park **(from 8am to 2pm);**
- Saxon Gate (southbound carriageway only) – From its junction with Midsummer Boulevard to its junction with South Saxon Roundabout **(from 9.45am to 10.45am);**
- V7 Saxon Street (southbound carriageway only) – From its junction with H6 Childs Way to its junction with Lloyds, Coffee Hall **(from 9.45am to 10.45am);**
- The Spur Road, Eaglestone – between V7 Saxon Street and its junction with Harrier Drive and Golden Drive **(from 9.45am to 11am);**
- Golden Drive, Eaglestone – From its junction with the Spur Road to Kite Hill Redway **(from 9.45am to 11am);**
- H6 Childs Way – From its junction with South Saxon Roundabout to its junction with South Secklow Roundabout **(from 9.45am to 10.45am);**
- H7 Chaffron Way – From its junction with Eaglestone Roundabout to its junction with Harrier Drive, Eaglestone **(from 9.45am to 10.45am);**
- Waterside, Peartree Bridge – Adjacent to the Youth Centre at its junction with V8 Marlborough Street **(from 10.15am to 11.15am).**

The above roads will re-open once the runners have passed through.

Whilst the above lengths of road are closed the alternative routes will be as follows:-

- **WESTBOUND**: (From H7 Chaffron Way at its junction with V8 Marlborough Street) via V8 Marlborough Street, H8 Standing Way and V6 Grafton Street;
- **WESTBOUND**: (From H6 Childs Way at its junction with V8 Marlborough Street) via V8 Marlborough Street, H5 Portway and Grafton Gate;
- **EASTBOUND**: (From H6 Childs Way at its junction with V6 Grafton Street) via V6 Grafton Street, H8 Standing Way and V8 Marlborough Street;
- **EASTBOUND**: (From H7 Chaffron Way at its junction with V6 Grafton Street) via V6 Grafton Street, H8 Standing Way and V8 Marlborough Street;
- **SOUTHBOUND**: (From Saxon Gate at its junction with Avebury Boulevard) via Avebury Boulevard, Grafton Gate, V6 Grafton Street and H8 Standing Way;
- **SOUTHBOUND**: (From Secklow Gate at its junction with Silbury Boulevard) via Silbury Boulevard, Grafton Gate, V6 Grafton Street and H8 Standing Way.

STANDARD RATE PAY AND DISPLAY PARKING BAYS TO BE SUSPENDED:-

- Avebury Boulevard, south-east side (the south-east vehicular accessway – both sides) – Between Marlborough Gate and the access road (between Bankfield Roundabout and Lower Twelfth Street).

PORTE COCHERES TO BE CLOSED:-

- Avebury Boulevard – All those porte cocheres situated between Marlborough Gate and Saxon Gate (both sides).

PROHIBITION OF RIGHT TURNS:-

- Avebury Boulevard, CMK (eastbound) at its junction with Saxon Gate – turning southbound onto Saxon Gate;
- Secklow Gate, CMK at its junction with Avebury Boulevard;
- H6 Childs Way (eastbound) at its junction with V7 Saxon Street – turning southbound onto V7 Saxon Street;
- H7 Chaffron Way (eastbound) at its junction with V7 Saxon Street – turning southbound onto V7 Saxon Street;
- Fulwoods Drive, Leadenhall – At its junction with V7 Saxon Street – turning southbound onto V7 Saxon Street.

RESTRICTIONS FOR THE HALF MARATHON (SECOND LOOP):-

LENGTHS OF ROAD TO BE CLOSED (and times of closure):

- Flaxley Gate, Monkston – From its junction with H7 Chaffron Way to its junction with Blanchard Circle, Monkston **(from 11am to 1pm);**
  Whilst Flaxley Gate is closed the alternative route will be H7 Chaffron Way, V11 Tongwell Street, Lindisfarne Drive and Blanchard Circle (the reverse route applies).
- Colindale Street, Monkston Park – From its junction with H7 Chaffron Way to its junction with Rayners Lane, Monkston Park **(from 11am to 1pm);**
  Whilst Colindale Street is closed the alternative route will be H7 Chaffron Way, V10 Brickhill Street, Plaistow Crescent, Queensbury Lane and Rayners Lane (The reverse route applies).

The following roads will only be closed whilst the race contestants pass through and will be controlled by marshals at all times:-

- Tanfield Lane, Broughton – From its junction with Kingswear Drive to its junction with Bewdley Grove **(from 11am to 1pm);**
- Milton Road, Broughton – At its junction with the redway adjacent to Broughton Brook **(from 11am to 1pm);**
- Swanwick Lane, Broughton – At its junction with Kidderminster Walk **(from 11am to 1pm).**

There shall be no exemptions from the provisions of the Order other than for emergency services vehicles and military vehicles.

The road closures and alternative routes will be signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs manual. All local diversions will be indicated by traffic signs.

Pedestrian access to premises and properties shall be maintained throughout the restrictions.

The proposed order will come into operation on Sunday 6th March 2016 at 8.00 am and will continue in force for a maximum period of 3 days or until the completion of the event whichever shall be the sooner. It is expected that the event will continue for one day only.

A copy of the proposed order, a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing it and a map indicating its location and effect may be inspected at Central Milton Keynes Library, 555 Silbury Boulevard and during normal opening hours and at the offices of Milton Keynes Council, at the address below, during normal office hours, quoting reference number PH-S16A-TTRO-712.

Any person committing a breach of the order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The road closures and alternative routes can be viewed at www.roadworks.org.

(VARIOUS ROADS AND FOOTPATHS IN MOUNT FARM, SHENLEY BROOK END, STANTONBURY AND LOUGHTON) (TEMPORARY CLOSURES) ORDER 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes has on 2nd February 2016 made an Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit pedestrians and vehicles from entering, waiting or proceeding along the following lengths of road or footpaths in order to allow maintenance and repair works to be carried out on the highway:-

10th February 2016

- **Saxon Street, Mount Farm** – Between its junctions with Denbigh Roundabout and Bramley Road
  Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via Bletcham Way, V6 and Groveway (and vice versa).
  Access to business properties off Saxon Street will be maintained.
- **Cressey Avenue, Shenley Brook End** – Between its junctions with Bletchley Road and Wallinger Drive.
  Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via Bletchley Road, Whaddon Road and Wallinger Drive (and vice versa).
- **The footpath that links Bradwell Road with Snaith Crescent, Loughton**
  Whilst the above length of footpath is closed the alternative route will be via footpaths parallel to Bradwell Road and Snaith Crescent (and vice versa).

11th February 2016

- **Little Stanton, Stantonbury** – Between its junctions with West Hill and Redbridge.
  Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via Crosslands, Walshs Manor, and Redbridge (and vice versa).

The above closures will be implemented from the 27th January 2016 on the above dates for a maximum period of 4 hours or until the said works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. Signs will be erected several days in advance to warn motorists and pedestrians of the dates and times when the roads will be closed.

The Council is satisfied that the temporary closure Order is necessary to enable works to be carried out on the highway. The temporary Order will come into effect on 27th January 2016 and will expire on 27th April 2016 and will take effect at times during the above period **only** when maintenance or repair works are required and **only** when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs, which will be erected in advance of any closure.

There will be no exemptions from the provisions of the proposed Order except for controlled access to business or residential properties and emergency service vehicles on operational duties.

The closure will be clearly signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual.

All affected properties will be notified of the forthcoming closures at least one week prior to works taking place.

Any person committing a breach of the order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

(ALL GRID ROADS AND PRIMARY ROADS WITHIN AND LEADING INTO MILTON KEYNES) (TEMPORARY CLOSURE) ORDER 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes intends in not less than 7 days from the date of this Notice, to make an order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Its effect will be to temporarily prohibit vehicular access on all grid roads (and adjoining roads), various rural roads and primary roads within and leading into Milton Keynes (as stated in the Schedule below).

The Council is satisfied that the temporary road closure Order is necessary to enable essential scheme development and highway maintenance and repair works to be carried out, including grass cutting, gully cleaning, litter picking, street lighting, mechanical sweeping, lining maintenance, stud replacement, re-surfacing and all other maintenance activities.

The temporary closure Order will come into effect on 15th February 2016 and will expire on 14th August 2017 and will only take effect at times during the above period **only** when scheme development, maintenance or repair works are required and **only** when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs, which will be erected in advance of any restriction.

There will be no exemptions from the provisions of the proposed Order, other than for emergency services vehicles, and military vehicles whilst being driven on operational duties.

All road closures will be advertised and clearly signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual.

Any person committing a breach of the proposed order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

SCHEDULE

GRID ROADS (And all adjoining estate roads)

H1 Ridgeway	H8/A421 Standing Way	V5 Great Monk Street
H2 Millers Way	H9 Groveway	V6 Grafton Street
H3/A422 Monks Way	H10 Bletcham Way	V7 Saxon Street
H4 Dansteed Way	V1 Snelshall Street	V8 Marlborough Street
H5/A509 Portway	V2 Tattenhoe Street	V9 Overstreet
H6/A4146 Childs Way	V3 Fulmer Street	V10 Brickhill Street
H7 Chaffron Way	V4 Watling Street	V11/A4146 Tongwell Street

A full list of the adjoining estate roads may be inspected during normal office hours at Milton Keynes Council, Synergy Park, Chesney Wold, Bleak Hall, Milton Keynes, MK6 1LY.

RURAL ROADS AND PRIMARY ROADS

A4146 Stoke Road	B565 Lavendon Road	Little Linford Lane
A421 Buckingham Road	Bow Brickhill Road	Newport Road, Moulsoe
A421, Magna Park	Brickhill Road	North Crawley Road
A428 Bedford Road East	Brickhill Street	Queen Eleanor Street
A509	Calverton Lane	Salford Road
A509 London Road	Calverton Road	Station Road, Bow Brickhill
A509 Newport Pagnell Bypass	Chicheley Hill	Station Road, Woburn Sands
A509 Wellingborough Road	Chicheley Road	Stratford Road
A5130 Newport Road	Fen Street, Brooklands	Watling Street, Fenny Stratford
B526 Northampton Road	Fen Street, Magna Park	Wolverton Road, Castlethorpe
B5388 Yardley Road	Haversham Road	Wolverton Road, Milton Keynes

(VARIOUS ROADS IN BLEAK HALL, BLETCHLEY, COFFEE HALL, GRANGE FARM, LEADENHALL AND WOLVERTON) (TEMPORARY CLOSURES) ORDER 2016

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Borough of Milton Keynes intends, in not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit pedestrians and vehicles from entering, waiting or proceeding along the following lengths of road or footpaths in order to allow maintenance and repair works to be carried out on the highway:-

17th February 2016

- **Jonathans, Coffee Hall** – Between its junctions with Lloyds and Chapter.
  Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via Lloyds, Garraways and Chapter (and vice versa).
  Access to properties will be maintained.
- **Trinity Road, Old Wolverton** – Between its junctions with Manor Road and Old Wolverton Road.
  Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via Old Wolverton Road, Longville and Manor Road (and vice versa).
  Access to properties will be maintained throughout
- **Stacey Avenue, Wolverton** – Between its junctions with Marina Drive and Gloucester Road
  Whilst the above length of road is closed, the alternative route will be via Marina Drive, Windsor Street and Gloucester Road

18th February 2016

- **Ashford Crescent, Grange Farm** – Between its junctions with Hoyton Gate and Wickstead Avenue
  Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via Dunthorne Way, Singleton Drive and Wickstead Avenue
- **Whiteley Crescent, Bletchley** – Its entire length
  Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via Newton Road and Selbourne Avenue

19th February 2016

- Chesney Wold, Bleak Hall – Between Summerson Road and Grafton Street
  Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via Grafton Street
- **Fullwoods Drive, Leadenhall** – Between its junctions with Rainbow Drive and Saxon Street
  Whilst the above length of road is closed the alternative route will be via V7 Saxon Street and H7 Chaffron Way

22nd February 2016

- **Old Wolverton Road, Old Wolverton** – Between its junctions with Colts Holm Road and Wolverton Road.
  Whilst the above length of road is closed, the alternative route for westbound local traffic will be via Grafton Street, Newport Road, Wolverton Road, Stratford Road and Old Wolverton Road.
  The alternative route for local traffic travelling eastbound will be via Old Wolverton Road, Stratford Road and Wolverton Road.
  The alternative route for HGV traffic will be via Old Wolverton Road, Great Monks Street (V6), Millers Way (H2) and Grafton Street (V6) (and vice versa.

The above closures will be implemented from the 17th February 2016 on the above dates for a maximum period of 4 hours or until the said works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. Signs will be erected several days in advance to warn motorists and pedestrians of the dates and times when the roads will be closed.

The Council is satisfied that the temporary closure Order is necessary to enable works to be carried out on the highway. The temporary Order will come into effect on 17th February 2016 and will expire on 17th May 2016 and will take effect at times during the above period **only** when maintenance or repair works are required and **only** when indicated by the appropriate traffic signs, which will be erected in advance of any closure.

There will be no exemptions from the provisions of the proposed Order except for controlled access to business or residential properties and emergency service vehicles on operational duties.

The closure will be clearly signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Traffic Signs Manual.

All affected properties will be notified of the forthcoming closures at least one week prior to works taking place.

Any person committing a breach of the order will be liable upon prosecution to such fine as is prescribed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

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Introducing The All-New Kia Sportage

The all-new Kia Sportage – the fourth-generation of Kia's globally-popular compact SUV – features an attractive, all-new interior and exterior design, a host of advanced new technology features and greater quality. Having made its global debut at the 2015 Frankfurt International Motor Show, the all-new Sportage will go on sale across European markets during Q1 2016.

Now in its fourth-generation, the new, more refined Kia Sportage compact SUV builds comprehensively on the success of the outgoing model, offering an innovative and sophisticated package to buyers in an increasingly competitive market. The new-look interior features high quality materials and design integrity, as well as greater practicality and a range of technologies to improve comfort, convenience, connectivity and safety. A range of new and updated engines and transmissions will result in enhanced efficiency and performance, while ride, handling and refinement are all improved.

For the first time, a new 'GT Line' specification is available to Sportage customers. Designed and engineered to appeal to those looking for a sportier driving experience from their Sportage, the GT Line specification delivers all the versatility of the standard Sportage while adding greater visual and dynamic appeal to those customers that desire it.

The fourth-generation Kia Sportage features a bold new look, with the vehicle's designers creating a sense of sporty and powerful energy from every angle. The design of the new Sportage has been led by Kia's European design studio in Frankfurt, Germany, with input from the brand's Namyang, Korea and Irvine, California design centres. The all-new Sportage

creates visual harmony out of the tension and contrast between its sharp, defined feature lines and smooth surfacing.

The attractive 'face' of the Sportage features the biggest change to the car's design over the outgoing model, with Kia's hallmark 'tiger-nose' grille and the car's headlamps separated for the new model. GT Line models develop the exterior look further, featuring new 'ice-cube' LED fog lamps, inspired by those found on the high-powered cee'd GT, and aluminium-effect skid plates.

The all-new Sportage maintains its highly-recognisable profile, with a 30 mm longer wheelbase (now 2,670 mm), 40 mm greater overall vehicle length (to 4,480 mm) and longer, more aerodynamic rear spoiler resulting in a more swept-back shape. From the highest point of the roof (1,635 mm – unchanged over the outgoing model), the Sportage's silhouette gently tapers towards the rear of the car, while bolder wheel arches, sharp features lines, and smooth surfacing endow the Sportage with a more dynamic look. The overall effect is inspired by the defined musculature of a sprinter driving out of the starting blocks. Longer front overhangs (up by 20 mm) and shorter rear overhangs (reduced by 10 mm) add to the car's more raked profile.

At the rear, the new Sportage features more horizontal forms and clearly defined features lines, with smooth bodywork on the tailgate, emphasising the car's width and giving the compact SUV a more stable appearance. Inspired by the 2013 Kia Provo concept, slim combination lamps running along a horizontal parallel are joined together by a strip that runs the width of the rear, while the turn signals and reversing lights are separate, located lower down to add more visual weight to the lower half. The Kia Sportage GT Line also features dual exhaust pipes and metal-effect rear underbody diffuser for a sportier appearance.

The attractive new design also makes this the most aerodynamic Sportage to date, with drag reduced from 0.35 to 0.33 Cd – a result of the re-profiled undercover and newly-designed bumper.

The all-new Sportage is available with a choice of 16-, 17- or 19-inch aluminum alloy wheel designs, while the GT Line specification comes with a unique 19-inch wheel option as standard.

The Sportage boasts an all-new interior, representing one of the most significant improvements over the third-generation car. The focus for the design team behind the new interior was to create a cabin which offered a wide, driver-oriented dashboard, with a simple, modern design. The interior blends metalwork with soft-touch materials and clearly defined horizontal lines, portraying a high level of mechanical precision.

The Sportage's all-new cabin boasts a high standard of material quality, with a far greater proportion of soft-touch materials and the use of cloth, leather and stitching creating a more upscale ambience. The result is an interior that majors on refinement and modern sophistication, with greater soundproofing measures adopted to reduce significantly the intrusion of exterior noise.

The fourth-generation model is set to be the most practical Sportage yet thanks to increased exterior and interior dimensions, with the vehicle's development teams realising greater space and comfort for all passengers.

The Kia Sportage is manufactured at Kia's production facility inŽilina, Slovakia, and remains the brand's bestselling model in Europe, with more than 105 000 sold across Europe in 2015, accounting for 27.4% of Kia sales. Buyers of the new Sportage will be able to choose from the most up-to-date active hazard-avoidance technologies to ensure occupants' safety at all times – depending on market.

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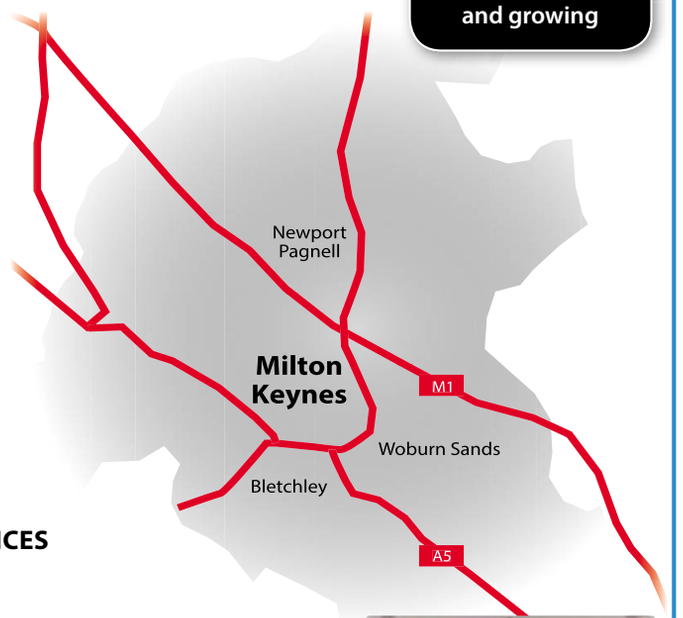

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Toyota Auris

GO FIGURE

The Toyota Auris has evolved into something wholly desirable. The problem is, UK buyers haven't twigged just yet. This revised version might well help the penny drop, with cleaner styling inside and out, more efficient engines and the usual British-built Toyota integrity.

With the original version of this second generation model, Toyota already offered a wide selection of engines, including diesel, petrol and hybrid options, but things are getting a bit more interesting again with the introduction of a 1.2-litre turbo petrol unit and a 1.6-litre turbodiesel. The 1.33-litre and 1.6-litre petrol powerplants continue, as does the 1.4-litre D4-D turbodiesel, the latter being heavily revised to make it the cleanest diesel engine in the 90PS class. Revised cylinders, fuel injection, catalyst and cylinder head cover all feature, with the peak 205Nm torque figure now being reached at just 1,400rpm, where before it was 1,800rpm. The sprint to 62mph takes 12.5 seconds en route to 112mph. That's not bad for an entry-level diesel.

The freshly-developed 1.2T direct injection turbocharged unit develops 115PS, while the 1.6 turbodiesel is good for 111PS. Go for that 1.2T variant - or the older 1.6 Valvematic model - and you get the option of Toyota's 'Multidrive S' CVT auto transmission. This package features various modes - fully automatic, seamless shifting or a sequential, stepped seven-speed Sport setting controlled by the gear lever or shift paddles mounted on the steering column.

The Auris' suspension has been revised, with a choice of two rear ends. For the slightly faster models, there's a double wishbone system (offered on the 1.2T and 1.6 Valvematic petrol variants, plus the 1.6 D-4D diesel and the 1.8 Hybrid). Less powerful versions though, get a simpler torsion bar set-up (used on the 1.3 VVT-i petrol variant and the feebler 1.4 D-4D diesel). Toyota has also reduced noise levels in the cabin and re-tuned the electric power steering to further build steering weight as vehicle speed rises, giving better feedback between 35 and 50mph.

The cabin benefits from better quality materials and a lower profile dashboard, with cleaner-looking dials and a more consistent use of grains, illumination and typefaces across the fascia. There's a twin-clock binnacle with a 4.2-inch colour TFT multi-information screen. Many details, such as the air vents, doorhandles and gear lever surround, have been redesigned to give a crisper, high-quality appearance. There's also a Touring Sports estate version on offer if you need a bit more hauling space.

Some cars are an instant hit, others are a bit of a slow burn and then there's the Toyota Auris. It's a car whose appeal is, to many, so hard to fathom that it never really challenges the top contenders in the sales charts. The reason? It's struggled to shake off the stigma of being a bit, well, boring. But here's the thing. This latest car isn't bland at all. It's a family hatchback that's been designed with care, built with diligence and which is better looking than most rivals in its class. You just know it'll be incredibly reliable and there's no shortage of customer choice.

Toyota perhaps needs to inject a bit of attitude into the Auris range with a really potent sports model. It might not make too many sales but it'll have a real halo effect over the rest of the range. Overall, what we've learnt here is that the Auris is a good car, encumbered by an out of date reputation. It's time to leave the old attitudes behind.

FACTS AT A GLANCE

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INSURANCE GROUPS: 9E-15E
CO2 EMISSIONS: from 79g/km [hybrid] 92g/km [diesel]
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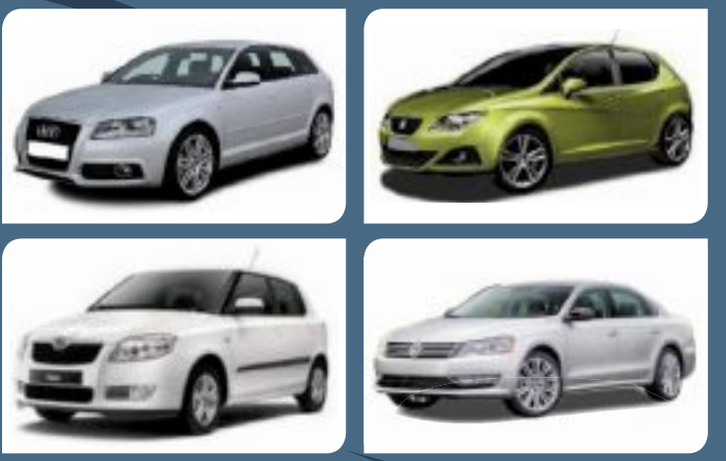

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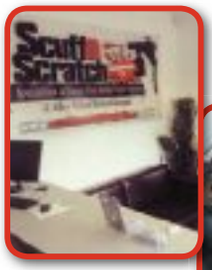

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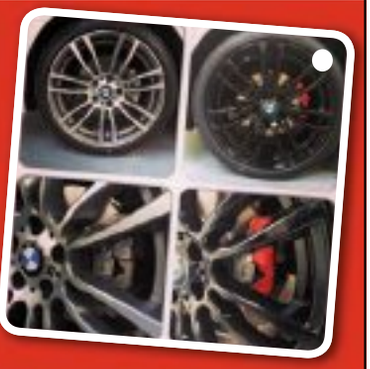

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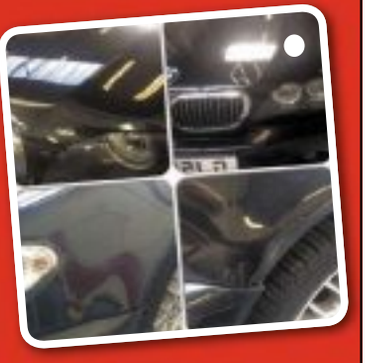

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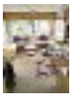

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We left rather early in order to secure a parking space and on the way to the ground I knew we would lose.

Not only was this opinion based on our recent lack of goals but also the likely probability that Chelsea would field a strong team.

Upon revelation of our line-up, I had to believe it was the strongest line-up we had available, but it lacked key players like Ben Reeves and Nicky Maynard.

Then came the Chelsea line-up and, as expected, they weren't messing about. Their 11 boasted the likes of Costa, Hazard, Oscar and Courtois to name a few.

This would be nothing like the triumph over Manchester United last season.

We got to the ground and took our usual walk towards the stadium.

We passed by half-and-half scarf sellers, the TV crew vans and many more fans that we were used to seeing.

The ground began to fill up in anticipation of kick off and the players came out for their warm ups to a brilliant reception which they are not used to seeing for your average league game.

As the teams came out for the start of the game, the stadium erupted, balloons flew and a Pete Winkelman flag made its way across the East Stand and over my head.

Oscar had a couple of decent chances before McFadzean gave the ball away to Diego Costa and he was played in and calmly slotted home to put the Blues one up.

Chelsea only led for six minutes. Darren Potter received the ball on the edge of the box and struck the ball goalwards. It took a massive deflection before the ball looped in over the goalkeeper.

Dons did show desire throughout, but it was ultimately all in vain.

It finished 5-1 to Chelsea and the Dons were knocked out of the cup.

We were never expected to beat Chelsea and an upset looked quite unlikely throughout.

The players put in a strong effort but they couldn't break down the obvious barrier of class separating the two sides.

Now, all focus turns to Championship survival.

MK DONS

Deadline day duo look to the future

BY CHRIS KNIGHT
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NEW boys Jay Emmanuel-Thomas and Alex Revell are both confident they can deliver the goals to fire MK Dons to Championship safety.

Deals for the strikers were both announced late on Monday, on what was a busy deadline day at stadiummk.

The pair joined fellow January recruits Jake Forster-Caskey and Jonny Williams for their first training session yesterday.

Emmanuel-Thomas has signed on a season-long loan from Queens Park Rangers, having netted five times this season.

The 25-year-old former Arsenal striker believes he can deliver moments of 'magic' for his new side.

He added: "It was a bit of late deal, but it is a good feeling and I'm here to do a job.

"I've spoken to the manager a couple of times in the past, and obviously the style of football is something that appeals to me.

"With the players that are already here, I'm hoping to add an extra dimension and make us a great attacking force."

Meanwhile, 32-year-old Revell is looking to make up for lost time, after arriving on a free transfer from Cardiff City.

He said: "It's been a tough year, but now I'm here it's about looking forward.

Magic moment: Jay Emmanuel-Thomas, left, and Alex Revell

"It is a fresh start and a big move for me, but it's about getting back to my best and if I can do that, I really believe I can be an asset for the side.

"To stay in this division this year is massive, and I think we're more than capable of doing that."

Due to a gentleman's agreement between the clubs, Revell will be unable to make his debut against his former side this Saturday.

But Emmanuel-Thomas is available for selection, and could feature against Russell Slade's promotion chasers.

ICE HOCKEY

Home fans' misery after late goal

MK LIGHTNING'S win at Sheffield put a smile back on the fans' faces after Manchester Phoenix inflicted overtime heartbreak at MK Arena on Saturday.

But Lightning had only themselves to blame after giving Phoenix a two-goal start and then giving up a two goal lead with less than 10 minutes to go.

A Frankie Bakrlik brace put the home side clear within 46 minutes but Phoenix responded by upping the tempo.

It was former MK player Jacob Corson-Heron who narrowed the gap and Manchester's comeback was complete when Stanislav Gron equalised 2 minutes later.

The teams traded another four goals but the momentum was with the visitors, and they grabbed a 4-5 away win.

Sunday was a different affair as Lightning claimed a 4-3 victory at Sheffield Steeldogs.

After Lightning took the lead through Bobby Chamberlain the hosts swiftly hit back with Korhon scoring after 18 minutes.

Mixed weekend: MK Lightning suffered an overtime defeat against Manchester Phoenix, but won 4-3 at the Sheffield Steeldogs

A penalty for Steeldogs having too many men on the ice led to Lightning extending their advantage with a Bakrlik powerplay strike.

However, Steeldogs were able to reduce the deficit before the second interval and Lightning's lead was wiped out by Ashley Calvert.

Soon after, Lightning got back in front thanks to Christie and Tahtinen who set up Hook to make the final score 4-3 to MK Lightning and a win on the road.

SPORTSSHORTS

HOCKEY

MILTON Keynes Hockey Club's Mens 1st XI suffered a 4-1 defeat at the hands of mid-table rival Old Cranleighans, while the Ladies 1st XI enjoyed a comfortable 5-1 victory over Maidenhead Ladies 2s.

The Ladies sit in second place – just three points off leaders Buckingham Ladies 2s – while the men sit in sixth position, with 17 points from their 14 matches so far.

ATHLETICS

RACHEL Gibbens was chosen to represent England at an international event in Vienna, after her success in winning the South of England ladies indoor pole vault title.

She was placed equal second after achieving a height of 4m 01cm. She shared this with Austrian and Turkish ladies after all three failed at 4m 11cm, and all had the same number of failures during the competition.

TABLE TENNIS

MK Sasaki beat Greenleys Monarchs 7-3 in the Premier Division, a result which leaves the title race wide open.

Monarchs' defeat means MK Spinners go back top by 4 points following their 9-1 win over Kingpins.

MK Phoenix's 9-1 defeat gave them the dubious distinction of being the first team relegated as early as January.

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

IN the Spartan South Midlands Football League Division One, New Bradwell St Peter earned a 3-2 victory over Langford.

In Division Two, Stony Stratford Town slipped to a 2-0 loss at Loughton Manor, while Wolverton Town were held to a 1-1 draw at home by Grendon Rangers.

ROWING

MK rowers started 2016 as they mean to go on with 17 crews tackling Northampton Head of the Nene and five crews victorious.

The winning crews where Men's IM3 4+, the Women's Masters B double, the Masters Pair, Kevin Lila in the IM3 Single and the run of success was completed by the Men's IM3 Eight crew.

FIXTURES

FEB 6 CARDIFF (A)
FEB 9 BORO (H)
FEB 13 DERBY (A)
FEB 20 BRISTOL (H)
FEB 23 HUDDERSFIELD (H)

CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE

			Home					Away						
	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Hull City	28	11	2	1	30	6	6	3	5	15	12	27	56
2	Middlesbro	27	10	2	2	20	3	7	2	4	17	11	23	55
3	Burnley	28	9	3	2	29	12	5	6	3	17	13	21	51
4	Brighton	28	9	2	3	17	13	4	9	1	17	15	6	50
5	Derby County	28	7	5	2	24	12	6	5	3	15	13	14	49
6	Birmingham	29	7	2	5	16	14	6	6	3	21	14	9	47
7	Sheff Wed	28	9	4	1	27	12	3	6	5	15	19	11	46
8	Ipswich Town	28	5	6	3	18	15	7	3	4	19	20	2	45
9	Cardiff City	29	7	6	1	21	13	4	5	6	17	20	5	44
10	Brentford	29	6	3	6	19	21	5	4	5	23	20	1	40
11	Notts Forest	29	6	6	3	20	12	3	6	5	10	13	5	39
12	Wolves	28	4	5	5	17	19	6	3	5	20	19	-1	38
13	QPR	29	4	8	2	22	17	4	4	7	13	18	0	36
14	Leeds United	29	4	5	5	12	15	4	7	4	17	18	-4	36
15	Reading	28	6	5	3	17	10	3	3	8	15	21	1	35
16	Preston	28	4	6	4	12	13	4	5	5	13	14	-2	35
17	Huddersfield	29	5	4	6	24	19	3	4	7	15	23	-3	32
18	Blackburn	27	3	7	3	12	9	3	5	6	12	15	0	30
19	Fulham	28	4	4	6	23	23	2	6	6	20	25	-5	28
20	MK Dons	28	6	1	7	13	19	1	4	9	10	22	-18	26
21	Rotherham	29	5	2	8	22	27	2	2	10	13	26	-18	25
22	Bristol City	29	3	6	6	15	22	2	4	8	9	25	-23	25
23	Charlton	29	3	6	5	15	22	2	3	10	11	33	-29	24
24	Bolton	28	3	8	3	15	15	0	3	11	9	31	-22	20

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Deadline day drama at MK Dons as Robinson lands two forwards

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Signings: MK Dons boss Karl Robinson is 'excited' to have signed forwards Jay Emmanuel-Thomas and Alex Revell from Queens Park Rangers and Cardiff City

MK DONS boss Karl Robinson is 'very happy' with the club's business in the January transfer window – after a busy deadline day at stadiummk.

Forwards Jay Emmanuel-Thomas and Alex Revell signed late on Monday evening, with three players heading out the exit door.

Simon Church and Lee Hodson have joined Scottish clubs Aberdeen and Kilmarnock respectively on season-long loans, while Dale Jennings was released after making just two appearances.

And with the recall of George Baldock from his loan spell at Oxford United, Robinson is confident he now has a stronger squad at his disposal.

He said: "Between the five that have come in and the eight that have left this month, there is a swing.

"We don't have many squad players left – I've now got 18 first-team players.

"The players that have gone did their job, as we're currently two places outside the relegation zone.

"But we've completely cleared the decks. Hopefully we will kick on from here and I think we're better now."

Emmanuel-Thomas has joined on a season-long loan from Queens Park Rangers, while Revell arrived on a free transfer from Cardiff City.

Robinson added: "We had a number of strikers lined up and one or two fell away during the window.

"But Revell is somebody we have chased from day one.

"We always wanted to bring him here because he gives us something completely different – his work ethic is phenomenal.

"And I've admired Jay from a distance for a long time now. I've had reservations about him, but he's here to prove them all wrong.

"He has moments of brilliance, which are sometimes overshadowed by moments when he perhaps doesn't do what he should. But if we work together, he'll find it an enjoyable four months here.

The Dons travel to Cardiff City on Saturday, hoping to bounce back from their 5-1 thrashing by Chelsea in their FA Cup fourth-round clash on Sunday.

A first-half hat-trick from Oscar and goals from Eden Hazard and Bertrand Traore eased the Premier League champions into the fifth round and Robinson has said his players will learn from the match.

He added: "There were certain components of the game I was disappointed with – I won't let the glitz and glamour of the occasion distract from that.

"But that was the Premier League champions we played.

"They came here to put us to bed and they did – and it could have been more."

■ **Inside: Interviews with Revell and Emmanuel-Thomas.**

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